The Mapleton Item.

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LOCAL NOTES.

—Hear Dr. Forbes' lecture in the M. E. church this evening.

—Large supply of nut, pea and cannel coal. Benj. O'Connor & Sons.

—Leave your orders for choice clover and timothy seed. B. O'Connor & Sons.

—The frogs commenced holding their concerts in the marshes along the river last week.

—Oscar L. Wilson, of Pittsburg, is spending this week with his parents in Mapleton.

—Wanted—200 bushels potatoes; 90 cents per bushel in trade. Benj. O'Connor & Sons.

—Samuel McDonald and wife are spending this week with friends and relatives in Pittsburg.

—The officers of Mapleton Lodge No. 468, I. O. O. F., will be installed next Saturday evening.

—Misses Ettie and Grace McLaughlin, of Harrisburg, spent a portion of the past week with friends in this place.

—M. Ray Shaffner, Esq., one of Fulton county's legal lights, circulated among friends in this county yesterday.

—Miss Mary Sharrah, of Shirleysburg, was the guest of her sister Miss Catharine Sharrah in Mapleton over Sunday.

—W. H. Mounts and G. W. Morgan were Mapleton's representatives in the Republican county convention yesterday.

—Mrs. Arthur F. Parker, of Juniata, spent a couple days of the past week with her mother and other friends in Mapleton. She returned to her home Sunday afternoon.

—Laura Mae Edgein will have her early spring opening of all the latest and up-to-date fine millinery on Friday and Saturday, April 1st and 2nd; will also have a fine line of Henderson's long-hip, French shape corsets and the latest nursing corset.

—Mrs. J. Warner Weston and two daughters, of Altoona, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Weston's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Long, in Mapleton several days during the past week. They will visit friends at Harrisburg and in Lancaster county before returning to their home in the Mountain city.

—The ladies of the Mystic Circle of the M. E. church will serve an Easter lunch Saturday afternoon and evening of April second in old church. Ice cream and cake will be for sale. Everybody welcome.

—Our friend William H. Taylor, of Cass township, has our thanks for some of the choicest apples we have ever seen. Evidently they are of good keeping varieties. Mr. Taylor is a good farmer and understands fruit growing.

—Clark Grazier's big barn at Huntingdon Furnace was burned to the ground together with four large work horses, sixteen head of cattle and twenty sheep last Thursday night. Much farming machinery and a large quantity of hay, straw and grain were also included in the loss. It is thought the fire was the result of incendiarism.

—Last Saturday evening Mapleton Lodge No. 468, I. O. O. F., and Washington Camp No. 59, P. O. S. of A., moved from Rex's hall to the hall over J. G. Gillam's store. The new hall has been beautifully arranged, carpeted with Brussels carpet and is one of the most complete country lodge rooms of which we have any knowledge.

—Rev. Robert Forbes, D. D., is one of the most eminent preachers and lecturers in America. He is an accomplished orator and has addressed audiences of thousands of people. Never before have the people of Mapleton and vicinity had opportunity to hear a man so distinguished under so favorable circumstances. Those who fail to hear his lecture in the M. E. church this evening will miss a great treat.

—Representatives of different newspaper publishers appeared before the senate commitee on postoffices and postroads Wednesday in support of an amendment offered by Senator Alger to the postoffice appropriation bill to permit rural mail carriers to conduct express package business and to act as the agents for newspapers and periodicals in the distribution of their publications. It was argued that the business will not interfere with the government business and will prove a great convenience to the patrons of the rural routes and add to the salaries of the carriers. The committee was generally in favor of the adoption of the amendment, but will consider it finally when the appropriation bill comes from the House.

—The Mapleton M. E. Sunday school last Sunday elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: L. F. Baker, superintendent; A. M. Dell and Frank Wallet, assistant superintendants; C. H. Hooper and E. E. Niece, secretaries; John G. Gillam, treasurer; C. D. Werts and Samuel Bennett, librarians. From April 1st to October 1st the sessions of the school will be held at nine o'clock Sunday morning.

—A serious accident occured Friday afternoon obout 4 o'clock at the quarry of the Cambria Steel Company, near Naginey Station, Mifflin county. A blast had just been put off when John Eckley the engineer, stepped from the engine room and a good sized stone fell from a distance, striking him in the forehead, fracturing the brain tissues, allowing the brain to protrude through the opening. He will likely recover.

—G. F. Quinn, operator at BP tower, was last Thursday united in marriage to Miss Nellie E. Brown, of Yates, Luzerne county. Monday evening Mr. Quinn and bride arrived in Mapleton, and Thursday evening a reception was given in honor of the young couple at the home of R. N. McCarl, The guests that were present were Miss Myrtle Wright, Miss Eunice McCarl, Mrs. Kate Robison, Miss Louie McCarl, Misses Bessie and Pearl Neice, Miss Olive Coder, Miss Georgia Dell and Miss Edna Dell, and Messrs. James Bratton, Joseph Wilson, Edward Bailey, Samuel Bennett, Loy McCarl, Elba Coder, Chas. O'Connor, Victor Brumbaugh and Chas. Werts. The evening was spent in a very enjoyable manner, and late in the evening the guests departed wishing Mr. and Mrs. Quinn a happy and prosperous journey through life.

Transfer of the Bottle Industry.

There is every indication that the center of the glass-blowing industry has been shifted from the vicinity of Pittsburg, Pa., to Toledo, Ohio. This is a revolution which has been brought about by the general introduction of the bottle-blowing machinery. The Owens Company, which was organized to exploit valuable patents on machinery of this character, and which has its headquarters in the latter city, has, or is about to acquire the rights of its most formidable rivals, and the prospects are that the bottle-blowing industry of this country will be controlled, at an early date, by this company. The Flint Glass Workers' Association, which has for many years, been located in Pittsburg, has moved its offices to Toledo. This necessitated the transferral of about $150,000, the funds of the association which had been deposited with local institutions.—*Scientific American.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Reduced Rates to Washington via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the benefit of those desiring to attend the meeting of the Knights of Columbus, to be held at Washington, D. C., April 13, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell round-trip tickets to Washington from all stations on its lines at reduced rates. These tickets will be sold April 11, 12, and 13, and will be good for return passage until April 18, inclusive. 3-30-2t.

Prompt Payers

The following subscriptions have been received at this office:

Mrs. Hannah M. Gillespie	Aug. 5, '04
R. H. Vandevander	Feb. 20, '05
William Matthews	Sept. 15, '04
William McMullen	Sept. 15, '04
James McCurdy	Feb. 5, '04
Mrs Mary Lynn	Jan. 22, '05
John S. Hicks	Dec. 1, '04
Geo. H. Shoop	Feb. 6, '05
Mrs. Emma Myers	March 27, '04
James S. Gillam	April 17, '05
G. Monroe Querry	Nov. 20, '04
S. N. Bumgardner	March 18, '04
E. E. Querry	June 20, '04
E. M. Smith	April 1, '04
Mrs. Lou Dell	Sept. 1, '04
Jesse H. Stever	Jan. 1, '05
E. E. Bell	July 1, '04
T. J. Masemore	April 19, '04

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins, of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound and well." Everybody ought to know it's the only sure cure for Coughs, Colds and all Lung diseases. Guaranteed by Wright & Dell. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

REV. FORBES' LECTURE.

Rev. S. W. Gehrett, D. D., of Philadelphia, under date of March 25th writes as follows:

"I see by this week's Item that Dr. Robert Forbes is to lecture in your church evening of March 30th. If the people of Mapleton and vicinity only knew of the great treat in store for them no building in your town would be sufficient to hold the audience."

Central Pennsylvania M. E. Conference.

The Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist Episcopal church convened at Harrisburg last Wednesday.

One of the most generally interesting items of business was the election of delegates to the General Conference which meets at Los Angeles, California, during the month of May. Last Friday the delegates were elected as follows: A. S. Baldwin, W. W. Evans, T. S. Wilcox, E. J. Gray, G. W. Stevens and H. L. Jacobs with J. Ellis Bell, E. M. Stevens, and R. H. Gilbert as alternates.

The lay conference the same day elected the followiug delegates to the lay General Conference: T. H. Murray, H. T. Ames, B. O. McIntyre, F. P. Llewellyn, J. F. Davis and W. H. Sweet with W. L. Woodcock, W. H. Sanford and R. A. Zentmyer as alternates.

Berwick was selected as the place for holding the next session of the conference.

The appointments were read Tuesday and for the Juniata district are as follows:

William W. Evans, presiding elder, Lewistown.

Alexandria, Theodore S. Stanfield; Alum Bank, Charles F. Weise; Bedford, George Leidy; Belleville and Yeagerstown, John T. Bell; Blaine, William W. Sholl; Burnham, Joseph D. W. Deavor; Burnt Cabins, Jonathan A. Phillips (supply); Cassville, Hugh Strain; Clearville, John A. Whiteman (supply); Concord, John A. Whitman (supply); Dudley, William W. Reese; East Waterford, Joseph E. Brenneman; Ennisville, William H. Norcross; Everett, Alexander Lamberson; Everett circuit, to be supplied; Hopewell, George L. Comp; Huntingdon, First Church, James H. Black; West Huntingdon, Crawford L. Benscoter; James Creek, Michael B. Bubb; Lewistown, Ezra H. Yocum; Manor Hill, Charles H. Campbell; Mapleton and Mill Creek, Howard Ake; McVeytown, Jeremiah B. Brenneman; Mifflintown, Isaac Heckman; Mt. Union, George E. King; New Bloomfield, Walter G. Steel; Newton Hamilton, David D. Kauffman; Orbisonia, Freeman S. Vought; Petersburg, Harmon H. Crotsley; Port Royal, David Y. Brouse; Ray's Hill, John C. Collins; Reedsville, William J. Sheaffer; Saxton, P. Franklin Eyer; Schellsburg, Marion J. Runyan; Shirleysburg, Bruce Hughes; Thompsontown, Gideon P. Sarvis; Three Springs, Harry K. Ash; Vira, to be supplied; Wolfsburg, Frank W. Rohrer.

Manuel Andujar. missionary to Porto Rico.

Supernumeraries—Peter P. Strawinski, John W. Glover, George A. Singer.

Superannuates—William Schriber, Martin L. Smith, Ceylon W. Marshall, William H. Bowden, Jesse R. Akers, William M. Frysinger.

NARROW ESCAPE.

Little James Shoop's Adventure on Third Avenue Last Evening.

Saturday's Altoona *Tribune:* James A., the 3-years-old son of John Shoop, of 415 Third avenue, narrowly escaped being killed by a car on the Third avenue line at 5.15 o'clock last evening. The little fellow was playing with his sister Olive, in front of their home, when the latter ran across the street to meet a companion. The boy started after her, and just as he reached the car track he was struck and knocked down by car No. 27, in charge of Motorman A. P. Banks and Conductor C. M. Leidy, which was rolling along the avenue at the time. It was so close that the motorman had no time to stop the car to avoid the accident. The car passed half way over the child's body before it was stopped, and those who witnessed the accident felt certain that the boy had been killed. The little fellow was found to be alive, but wedged in under the car between the two motor boxes. Grocer Charles crawled under, released the child and carried him to the office of Dr. T. A. C. Kephart, on Fourth street and Third avenue, An examination showed that the little fellow had been painfully bruised by being squeezed and rolled along the track. His head was also contused and abrased. His injuries were dressed, after which he was taken to his home.

Republican County Convention.

Pursuant to the call of county chairman the Republican county convention met in the court house, Huntingdon, at 10 o'clock yesterday, and the enthusiasm of the delegates indicated that there had been a spirited contest at the primaries last Saturday evening.

Hon. P. M Lytle was elected to preside and Ross Black, of Morris, H. W. Harrison, of Mount Union, H. R. Locke, of Springfield, were elected secretaries.

R. A. Orbison, Esq., submitted a statement that there had been irregularities in the conduct of the primary election of the Second Ward of Huntingdan and moved an investigation be made by a committee having power to summon witnesses. He further gave notice that a protest would be made against the admission of the accredited delegates.

The chair ruled that it could not entertain the motion for such a committee as was proposed as the convention had no jurisdiction in the matter; that if the election officers had permitted illegal voting they were amenable to the general election laws and the court of competent jurisdiction was the criminal court.

After the appointment of the necessary committees convention adjourned until 12.45 o'clock.

After the noon recess convention was again called to order and proceeded to nomination of candidates.

There being no opposition to Hon. John Stewart for Judge of the Supreme Court secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the convention for him and he was declared the choice of the Republicans of the county.

For Congress the names of Dr. W. H. Boggs and Carl M. Gage were presented. A ballot resulted as follows:

Boggs, 62.
Gage, 92.

Mr. Gage was declared the nominee and the nomination was made unanimous after which he was authorized to select his own conferees. Mr, Gage was called before the convention and tendered his thanks to the delegates for their support and through them to their constituents.

There being no opposition to Hon. Joseph M. Woods for President Judge secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the convention for him and he was declared the nominee and on motion was authorized to select his own conferees.

For state senator the names of A. S. Welch and John S. Bare were presented. A ballot resulted as follows:

Welch, 74.
Bare, 70.

Mr. Welch was declared the nominee and his nomination was made unanimous. He was authorized to select his own conferees after which he appeared before the convention and expressed his thanks for the nomination.

For assembly the names of J. Frank Schock, L. M. Hagerty, S. G. Rudy and Dr. Z. B. Taylor were presented. A ballot resulted as follows:

Schock, 82.
Hagerty, 106.
Rudy, 55.
Taylor, 43.

Messrs. Shock and Hagerty were declared the nominees and each was called before the convention and expressed his appreciation of the favors received. Mr. Schock in his remarks made allusion to President Roosevelt as the standard bearer of the approaching campaign which sentiment was heartily applauded by the delegates.

For director of the poor the names of J. Quincy Dell, J. Harry Myers and George Sleeman were presented. A ballot resulted as follows:

Dell, 85.
Myers, 55.
Sleeman, 4,

Mr. Dell was declared the nominee and being called before the convention thanked the delegates and their constituents and promised if elected to do his duty, his whole duty and nothing but his duty.

For coroner the names of A. B. Kennedy, Dr. F. L. Schum, Dr. Harry R. Douglas, Dr. J. M. Beck and Dr. G. G. Harman were presented. Five ballots were necessary to a choice resulting as follows:

	1, 2 and 3	4	5
Kennedy	8		
Schum	50	57	88
Douglas	46	48	56
Beck	7		
Harman	33	39	

Dr. F. L Schum was declared the nominee.

For county surveyor the name of H. H. Swope was presented. No others having registered secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the convention for him and he was declared the nominee.

John C. Taylor was selected unanimously as the choice of the Republicans of Huntingdon county for delegate to the national convention from this congressional district.

John A. Port and John A. Harman were unanimously elected delegates to the Republiican state convention which will be held at Harrisburg next Wednesday.

The work of the convention being concluded it was adjourned sine die.

The convention was very harmonious and the ticket nominated is an excellent one and should receive the hearty support of every Republican. It is a matter of regret that so many good men were defeated but all could not be nominated. Never in our recollection have the Republicans had better material from which to make a selection.

After the convention adjourned the candidates met and elected District Attorney R. W. Williamson chairman of the county committee.

Dead Body of Assyrian Pedlar Found in a Pond.

Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock the body of an Assyrian pedlar was found in a pond about two miles east of Petersburg by Louis Sanks, of Huntingdon. The body was removed to Petersburg, where an inquest was held by the coroner of Huntingdon county. The injuries that caused death were a munber of cuts inflicted, it is supposed, by a stone, and consisting of one cut on right side of head about five inches long, another on left side of head three inches long. The third is a cut over the temple one and one-half inches long. There is another on the nose of one inch or more, and still another under the left eye.

The murdered man was a pedlar by occupation and was traveling in company with a fellow pedlar. The two quarreled while at Petersburg and the supposition is that they renewed hostilities again after leaving that place. The purpose of the murder was not robbery, as the man's basket of goods and money ($5) were not distrubed. The murdered man's home was at Saxton, Pa. The body was removed to Dick's undertaking establishment in Huntingdon where it is being held and its identity is thought to have been revealed by the arrest of his companion Saturday. A description of the alleged murderer was obtained and Officer Clymer, of Huntingdon, went to Saxton and arrested his man. He was brought to Huntingdon and searched. On his person were found the dead man's bank book and some checks, amounting to over $300, also $41.30 in money, consisting of one $20 bill, one $10 bill, one $10 gold piece and $1.30 in change. The dead man and his alleged murderer were brothers, by the name of Saulsman. It is supposed the pair quarreled over their business relations and that the younger brother struck the blow. The prisoner cannot speak English very well and can barely understand any language except his own. He was taken to the undertaking establishmnt and confronted by the corpse of his victim. He retained a stolid face and nothing definite could be learned from him. The accused was remanded to jail and will be tried at the May term of court.

More Riots.

Disturbances of strikers are not nearly as grave as an individual disorder of the system. Overwork, loss of sleep, nervous tension will be followed by utter collapse, unless a reliable remedy is immediately employed. There's nothing so efficient to cure disorders of the Liver or Kidneys as Electric Bitters. It's a wonderful tonic, and effective nervine and the greatest all around medicine for run down systems. It dispels Nervousness, Rheumatism and Neuralgia and expels Malaria germs. Only 50c, and satisfaction guaranteed by Wright & Dell.

Notice to Tie Makers.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company having given notice that they will suspend the purchase of all cross ties after 31st instant, I desire to notify all persons who are furnishing ties for my account to have all delivered not later than 30th instant. No indication has been given as to date of resumption of purchase.

JNO. S. BARE.
Huntingdon, Pa., March 21, 1904.

Sale Register.

Thursday, April 14, 1904, D. H. Walker will offer at public sale at his residence in Hare's valley, 7 miles south of Mapleton, draft horse, brood mare, 4 milch cows, steers, wagon, harness, farming impliments, etc. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

JAPS SHELL PORT ARTHUR

Two Torpedo Boat Attacks Repulsed by Forts and Warships.

RUSSIAN WARSHIPS IN ACTION

Japanese Fleet Renews Bombardment of Czar's Stronghold, and After Two Hours' Action Withdraws — Korean Conspirators Executed—Russia's Force in the Far East.

St. Petersburg.—The Japanese fleet approached Port Arthur, and after preliminary operations again bombarded the place. The Russian ships and forts replied, the cannonading lasting several hours. The Japanese finally withdrew.

The Japanese fleet comprised six battleships and twelve cruisers. These divided, the battleships and torpedo boats taking positions between Liaotashan and Pigeon Bay, while the cruisers in two groups were south and southeast of Port Arthur.

The Russian battleship Retvizan opened fire over the crest of Liaotashan on the Japanese battleships, which replied, bombarding the town. Meanwhile the Russian fleet formed in line in the outer roadstead.

The cannonade finally slackened, and the Japanese fleet, reuniting slowly, returned to the southeastward and finally disappeared.

The Russians had five soldiers killed ashore and ten wounded. The fleet sustained no casualties. Admiral Makaroff was on board the Askold. The Japanese fired 100 shells into the town and suburbs. The Russians hit a Japanese warship, which was compelled to retire.

Russian Troops in the East.

London, Eng.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Express mails a long story of official corruption in Russia, which seems, from his account, to be equal to that in China. He instances scandalous scamping at the dockyards, and says that money allotted for military and naval stores has been pocketed. The officials all around misappropriate part of the funds passing through their hands.

The correspondent declares that corruption has been responsible for the succession of defeats that Russia has suffered. He asserts that the official assurances that there were coal and provisions enough at Port Arthur to enable that place to withstand a two-year siege, were untrue. When 10,000 tons of coal were ordered to Port Arthur only 5000 would reach the place, the officials dividing the cost of the remainder. There are thousands of sacks at Port Arthur supposed to contain sugar, but which in reality are filled with clipped brick. The correspondent adds that the Czar has taken a firm stand and is determined to stop the corruption.

Of the 20,000 Russian troops that have arrived at Harbin during the last forty days, only about 6000 have been able to proceed to the front, says the correspondent of the London Times.

Of this number 4000 have been sent to Newchwang, Mukden and Port Arthur and 2000 to Vladivostok. The greater part of the remainder are in the hospitals at Harbin, as the men were in wretched condition when they arrived.

There is great disorder at Harbin Junction, where fortifications are being erected, and it is hoped that when this is remedied troops will arrive at the rate of 1000 a day.

Japs Rout Korean Rebels.

Tokio.—A band of Koreans, having risen in arms at Ham-Heung, was attacked by a detachment of Japanese from Won-san, who killed two, wounded twenty and captured thirty-six.

The prisoners included the ringleaders, who alleged that the rising was instigated by Russians.

Korean Conspirators Executed.

Seoul.—Of thirteen Koreans, formerly students in Japan, who were accused of conspiring against the life of the Emperor and the Crown Prince for the purpose of enthroning Prince Euiwaa, who is now studying in America, three have been executed, and others have been summoned to appear before a special tribunal.

MARTIAL LAW FOR MINERS.

Entire Colorado National Guard Under Arms to Protect Negro Laborers.

Denver, Col.—Martial law has been declared in the Trinidad coal mining district, in Las Animas County, as a consequence of the miners' strike, and orders were issued by Governor Peabody for the entire National Guard of the State, numbering approximately 2000, to be prepared for service at three hours' notice.

It is reported that the Governor will send troops to San Juan County to prevent the exiled Telluride union miners from mobilizing and marching back to that place in force.

Negro Lynched in Texas.

John Maynard, a negro, was lynched by a mob at Montgomery, Texas. He was charged with being one of a party of negroes who robbed several Bohemians, and, after beating them, killed one. Two other negroes were arrested.

Maryland Bank Fails.

Receivers have been appointed for the Miners' and Merchants' Savings Bank of Lonaconing, Md.

FILIPINO LEADER SLAIN

Captain Dewitt, With Constabulary Detachment, Win Victory.

Macario Sakay, So-Called President of the Republic, Killed With Fifteen of His Followers

Manila, P. I.—Captain Dewitt, with a detachment of constabuiary, and Lieutenant Pitney, with a detachment of scouts, have encountered Macario Sakay, the so-called President of the Filipino Republic.

Sakay and fifteen of his followers were killed and the remainder of the band were captured. There were no casualties on the part of the Americans.

The defeat of Sakay follows the victory of General Wood in Mindanao on March 7.

On that date detachments of the Seventeenth and Twenty-third Infantry, Troop B, of the Fourteenth Cavalry, and Gately's battery, in all 450 strong, under his command, attacked and captured the cotta (fort), which was held by the Datto Ali, who resists the anti-slavery law. His defensive works were destroyed and their abandonment forced by the accurate fire of the battery.

Two thousand Moros made their retreat, with a loss of 100. The Americans sustained no losses.

Twenty-four cannon, forty-six lantacas (native artillery) and a large quantity of ammunition were captured and the fortifications reduced.

Major Truitt and Captain MacCoy pursued and captured the Datto Iybangun and his retainers.

KEARSARGE'S FINE SHOOTING.

The World's Record With 8-Inch Guns Beaten in Practice.

New Orleans, La.—The record of the cruiser New York, which last summer made a world's record with her eight-inch guns, has been beaten by the after eight-inch crew of the flagship Kearsarge. The New York made two hits a minute for four shots.

The Kersarge concluded her target practice and her crew fired ten shots, making ten hits in five minutes. The shortest time between consecutive shots was seventeen seconds.

The Kearsarge also recently lowered the record with her big thirteen-inch pieces, making ten hits in eleven minutes with them.

MILWAUKEE ELECTION FRAUDS.

Three Well Known Public Men Indicted and Arrested.

Milwaukee, Wis.—James J. Kennelly, deputy water register; Frank Keogh, printing contractor, and Otis T. Hare, former county clerk, were arrested upon indictment returned by the Grand Jury. Kennelly, who is well known in political circles, is charged with election frauds on April 1, 1902, at the city election. Hare and Keogh are charged in one indictments with conspiracy to prevent competition in the printing of ballots in 1902 and in another indictment are charged with having obtained a county order under false pretenses.

FLASHLIGHT POWDER KILLS.

Alexander Helmsley, a Philadelphia Chemist, Loses Life in an Explosion.

Philadelphia, Pa.—In an explosion of flashlight powder, of which he was the maker, Alexander Helmsley, seventy years old, an expert chemist and inventor, was killed in his laboratory at Seventy-third street and Woodland avenue.

Two young women employed as his assistants were hurled fifteen feet in the air and then fell back into the debris of the wrecked building.

As the young women clambered out of the place it burst into flames. Helmsley's body was taken out later, burned to a crisp.

WEST AFRICA REVOLT SPREADS.

Extends to British Territory in Nigeria, Where Station is Attacked.

Berlin, Germany.—Governor von Puttkammer, of the Cameroons, cables that the revolt of the natives has spread to Cross River, one of the points marking the boundary of German territory in West Africa, and been extended to British territory in Nigeria, and that the British customs station at Obokum was attacked. The Governor adds that Colonel Mueller is in Cross River and has the situation in hand.

Reject Judge's Instructions.

In a jury drawn at Chicago, Ill., to weigh evidence in a case where labor and capital were opposed, nine of the twelve men declared to Judge Julian W. Mack they would not consider his instructions on the law in the case, but would find a verdict in favor of the workmen. All were ordered from the jury box by the Judge. The verdict in the case was in favor of the employers.

Tapioca Still Advancing.

Tapioca has again shown an advancing tendency. Prices have advanced from 1-16 to 1-8 cent per pound. The reasons for the present strong situation are the small available supplies and the decreasing volume of shipments from the East.

Turks Surround Albanians.

Twelve battalions of Turkish troops, commanded by Shakir Pasha, have surrounded 10,000 Albanians at Babatepe. Shakir Pasha has asked for reinforcements.

STATE NEWS BUDGET.

Noble Mummy is Unclaimed.

A man who is believed to have belonged to a noble English family died from exposure in Wayne nine years ago, and his body still lies unclaimed in the morgue at Ardmore. Mack was employed for several years by R. H. Johnson, a contractor, of Wayne. He was a man of education and culture, and, according to rumor, was the heir to a British title which, for some mysterious reason, he would not or could not claim. When the man died an undertaker, but who has since retired, embalmed the body, and decided to hold it until it should be claimed. No one ever claimed it and, as the embalming was unusually successful, a number of efforts have been made by museums to purchase the body, but the undertaker says he will not surrender it except to some member of Mack's family. The body has been viewed by thousands of people, many of them Englishmen, who hoped to identify it. The skin retains its natural color and the sandy mustache and hair remain as in life.

Many Furnaces to Go Into Blast.

Within the next few weeks nearly all the blast furnaces throughout the Schuylkill Valley will be in operation, and although much depends on the unsettled condition of the structural iron trade, the prospects are very good for an active pig iron market. Both furnaces of the Warwick Iron Company, at Pottstown, are in blast, one of the Thomas Iron Company's furnaces, at Alburtus, has recently resumed, another is to go into operation soon at Hellertown, the E. & G. Brooke Iron Company is preparing to start its stack at Birdsboro, the Empire Iron and Steel Company, of Reading, has one furnace in operation and another ready to go into blast. The Leesport furnace resumed several weeks ago, and several furnaces of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, at Lebanon, may be put in blast in April. It is probable that the Robesonia furnace will start shortly. With the resumption of the Keystone furnace at Reading Seyfert's mill at Gibraltar will begin operations.

Says She Lied to Convict Them.

Steve and Wasyl Bartinowicz, brothers, one of Delano, and the other of Shenandoah, were convicted some days ago, of placing and exploding dynamite at the Kalbowski saloon front, on the night of July 3, last, and painfully injuring Mrs. Kalbowski, who sat near the window. Each was sentenced to two years in prison. The most important witness against them was Annie Erufcky, a girl, who swore she heard one brother tell the other to buy dynamite, and that she saw him give him the money to get it with. A few days ago a sensation was sprung in Court, when the defendants' attorneys, Dyson and Durkin, filed the girl's affidavit, setting forth that she had lied, under coercion. Judge Shay granted a rule to take additional testimony before a decision is rendered.

Decides That Bread Isn't a Drug.

There has been such a radical difference of opinion among the bakers in Allentown, as to what constitutes a pound loaf that quite a number of them have engaged Attorney C. A. Groman to take legal action on the matter. Some of the bakers have been selling their bread by troy weight, as if it were gold, aluminium or drugs, and thereby save about a quarter of a pound from the good old sixteen-ounce avoirdupois. Attorney Groman looked up the old "Blue law" of 1797 bearing on the point, then advertised, "To all bakers in the Lehigh Valley," that the act meant avoirdupois. So all these bakers have at last agreed to make the bigger loaf, and charge five cents instead of four for it.

Suicide Evaded Cellmate Watch.

Despondent from sickness and family troubles James W. Elliott, fifty-eight years of age, of Phoenixville, committed suicide by hanging himself to the iron grating of the inner door of the cell he occupied in the Chester County Prison. He had attempted self destruction a few weeks ago by cutting his throat, and as a safeguard another prisoner was placed in the cell with him, but Elliott arose in the night and by using his handkerchief for a rope, ended his existence without awakening his cellmate. The suicide leaves a widow and several children in Philadelphia.

Mind a Blank as He Fled.

A Edward Reist, who mysteriously disappeared on the night of March 3, has been brought back to Lancaster, and is now in bed with nervous prostration. His relatives settled his deficiency as cashier of the Conestoga Traction Company for about $300, paying the surety company that was on his bond. Reist's story is that when he left the office he had severe pains in his head. From that time his mind was a blank for several days. On his first return to consciousness he learned that he was in Baltimore, and without money.

Incubator Baby Fooled Them.

An incubator baby is a success in Prospect Park. Two months ago a girl was born to Dr. and Mrs. George D. Morton, but she was so small and weak that death was believed to be imminent. Dr. Morton and his wife made heroic efforts to save their offspring, and resolved to try an incubator. For a month or more the baby girl has spent most of the time in its odd home, and has been visited by many curious people, who shook their heads and prophesied failure. But the child is to-day a plump and rosy little girl.

SHOT HIS WIFE AND CHILD

Brooklyn Restaurant Keeper Then Killed Himself.

Maddened by Jealousy Christian Kirschoffer Attempts Triple Tragedy—Shooting Preceded by Quarrel.

New York City.—Driven to madness by jealousy of his pretty wife, Christian Kirschoffer, forty years of age, shot her, killed his four-year-old son, Freddy, and then sent a bullet into his own brain at his boarding-house, at South First street and Kent avenue, Williamsburg.

The shooting was preceded by a brief quarrel, which was ended by the husband drawing a revolver.

The wife picked up the boy, and, screaming, started to run from the room. She had reached the door when the man fired. One bullet pierced the child's head and another struck the woman in the face.

Kirschoffer then fired upon himself, the ball entering his temple. He was dead when the ambulance arrived.

No one saw the tragedy but the family servant, Fanny Curry, who was on the floor below. She said Kirschoffer, on returning from a butcher shop, handed the purchase to the girl, and then turning to his wife, told her sternly he wished to see her and the boy upstairs.

When Policeman Fallen, brought by the servant, rushed into the parlor on the second floor of the house, he found the husband dead and the boy unconscious with a wound in his head on the floor beside him. The wife leaned out of the window unconscious with a gaping wound in her right temple.

The servant says the jealousy of Kirschoffer had been manifested a great deal of late and the husband had insisted upon the wife explaining in minute detail how she spent the time when he was absent. This demand she had resisted and altercations had been frequent.

TORNADO WRECKS TOWN.

Great Damage Done by Wind and Hail in Missouri.

Higginsville, Mo. — Fifty buildings were partly wrecked, one man was mortally wounded and several others hurt, the town was in total darkness and the streets are strewn with debris as the result of a tornado and hailstorm which swept over Higginsville.

Hail in the streets was a foot deep within five minutes after the storm began, and some of the stones were as large as hen's eggs. Dozens of trees were blown down and several horses were killed in the street.

Corder and Alma, Mo., were considerably damaged. According to meagre reports several houses in both places were wrecked.

It is said that 2000 windows were broken by the storm here. More than fifty houses were unroofed. The loss is $40,000.

SENT POISON CANDY TO SELF.

Western Woman Committed Suicide and Cast Suspicion on Rival.

St. Paul, Minn.—A few weeks ago Miss Rena Nelson, at Pierre, S. D., was poisoned and died from eating candy sent through the mails. Mrs. Sherman Dye, of Boone, Iowa, was arrested charged with the crime.

It has been discovered that Miss Nelson sent herself the box of poisoned candy, preparing it in such a way that suspicion would fall on Mrs. Dye, with whose husband she was in love. Dye had disclosed to her that he had a wife who had discovered their attachment. Miss Nelson committed suicide. The cancellation stamp on the box is similar to the stamp used in the Pierre postoffice. It is said that Miss Nelson, in letters written to Mrs. Dye, had threatened to take poison.

FIRE ATOP THE FLOOD.

300 Families Homeless at South Beloit, Wis.

Milwaukee, Wis. — Flood and fire made 300 families homeless at South Beloit. The water of Turtle Creek rose ten feet and flooded the land for a distance of two miles. Oil flowing from the manufacturing plants on the river bank caught fire and flames soon covered the water. The damage from flood is estimated at $250,000. The fire damage is $150,000.

The plant of the Thompson Gas Engine Company, one of the largest in the Northwest, is totally destroyed.

Beloit and all points along the Rock River are shut off from communication with the outside world. The Rock River has risen rapidly and is fast approaching the danger line.

TO IMPEACH JUDGE SWAYNE.

House Judiciary Committee Votes in Favor of It.

Washington, D. C.—The House Committee on the Judiciary, after a session lasting more than four hours, voted to report to the House a resolution for the impeachment of Judge Charles Swayne, of the Northern District of Florida. Representative Palmer (Rep., Pa.), who was Chairman of the sub-committee appointed to go to Florida and investigate the charges against Judge Swayne, was designated to prepare the report, which will in the main substantiate the allegations made against him by members of the Bar of Pensacola and the memorialists who petitioned Congress for his impeachment.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR APRIL 3.

Subject: Jesus Visits Tyre and Sidon, Mark vii., 24-37—Golden Text, Heb. xi., 6—Memory Verses, 27-29 — Commentary on the Day's Lesson.

I. A mother's plea (vs. 24-26). 24. "From thence He arose." That is, after delivering the discourses at Capernaum. Edersheim thinks that Jesus and the twelve apostles went immediately to the north country, while others think there was a short delay in, or near, Capernaum before starting out. "Borders of Tyre and Sidon." Tyre and Sidon were heathen cities on the east coast of the Mediterranean Sea. Their religion was a base and corrupting nature worship. Beelzebub, the name adopted by the Jews as a name for Satan, was one of their deities, who was supposed to be the author of "all the pollutions of idol worship." "Into a house." In all probability the house of a Jew. Edersheim thinks He must have tarried here several days; the fact that He desired to be kept hid, but could not, would suggest this. "No man knew it." He judged it proper to conceal Himself awhile from the Pharisees, who were plotting against Him. "Could not be hid." "It seems that He was personally known to many of this country, who had seen and heard Him in Galilee."

25. "Whose young daughter." The actual sufferings of the daughter were great, but the sufferings which the mother endured by sympathy were still greater. Our sufferings for others are great in proportion to the amount of love we have for them. Hence, the greatest sufferer on earth was Christ. "An unclean spirit." Matthew says her daughter was "grievously vexed with a devil." This was certainly a sad case. Nothing can destroy the peace of a home more than to have a daughter possessed with Satanic influences. The spirit that possessed this girl was an unclean—a vile spirit. "At His feet." This at once showed the humility of the woman; she assumed the most lowly attitude possible as she appeals to His mercy.

26. "Woman was a Greek." By language. The Jews called those who were idolaters Greeks, or Gentiles. "A Syrophenician by nation." A Syrophenician. Phoenicia belonged to the Roman province of Syria. She was a Syrian, of Phoenicia. "Besought Him." Earnestly entreated Him. The case was an urgent one, and, on her knees, at His feet, she poured out her request. "Would cast forth." She believed He had power to do this. Matthew says she "cried unto Him saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, Thou son of David." She pleaded for mercy; she knew she could make no claim upon Him in any other way. The woman recognized Jesus as the Jewish Messiah; she called Him "Lord" and "The son of David." "The devil, etc." Here is a plain, straightforward confession. There is no effort to cover up the family troubles, and gloss over matters, and make it appear that, after all, her daughter is "quite respectable."

II. Faith triumphing (vs. 27-30). 27. "Jesus said." The woman's discouragements were great: 1. Her advantages had been small. She was a heathen woman, with but little means of even obtaining the light of the Hebrew Scriptures. 2. At first Jesus did not reply to her request (Matt. 15: 24). 3. The disciples besought Him to send her away. 4. When Jesus did speak He seemed to repel her. The soul, seeking salvation, frequently meets these same tests, and many become discouraged by them. "The children." The Jews. "First be filled." They are the favored people. The gospel was first to be offered to the Jews, and to them our Lord's personal ministry on earth was chiefly restricted. Jesus told her that His blessings were for the lost of Israel (Matt.) "Not meet." It is not suitable—not the proper thing to do. "Children's bread." To take those blessings that belong to the Jews. "Unto the dogs." This was the severest test of all. The Gentiles were considered by the Jewish people as no better than dogs, and Jesus only used a form of speech which was common; but it must have been very offensive to the heathen. Would this woman resent it? Would her pride at last be stirred? No. She "shrunk and shriveled" into nothingness at His feet, and her faith still held on for the desired blessing.

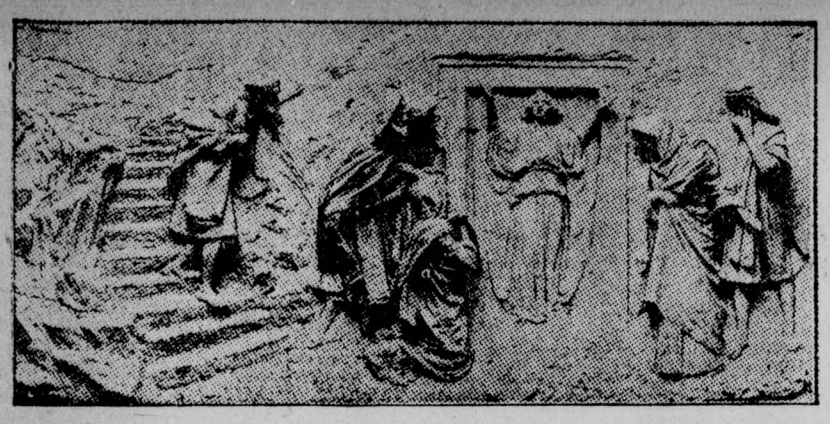
28. "Yes, Lord." "Truth, Lord" (Matt.) It is all so. The Jews; the favored ones ought to be blessed first. I know I am a heathen, only a Gentile dog. "Yet." Now follows (1) an answer to His argument against entertaining her petition, and (2) a most touching appeal to His clemency. "The dogs; eat of the children's crumbs." I only ask such kindness as the dogs of any family enjoy. If I am a dog, give me at least a dog's fare.

29. "For this saying." Her faith had triumphed. Jesus, said, "O woman, great is thy faith" (Matt.) There are several other graces that shone bright in her: wisdom, humility, meekness, patience, perseverance in prayer; but these were the product of her faith, and therefore Christ commends that, because, of all graces, faith honors Christ most; therefore, of all graces, Christ honors faith most. "Devil is gone." Now, at this very moment, thy request is granted. Though our Lord's mission was to the lost sheep of Israel, yet He always honored personal faith in Himself, wherever found." "Persevering faith and prayer are next to omnipotent. No person can thus pray and believe without receiving all his soul requires.

III. A man healed (vs. 31-37). 31. "Departing." Leaving the "borders" of Phoenicia, Jesus made a circuit to the southeast. He crossed the Jordan and sought seclusion in Decapolis, southeast of the Sea of Galilee. 32. "One; deaf." The healing of this man is related only by Mark. "An impediment." He was not a mute, but a stammerer. "Beseech." Earnestly entreat. This shows their faith in Christ's ability. 33. "Took him aside." The man would thus be more deeply impressed, and a public healing would cause the people to come together in great crowds. "Put His fingers, etc." Some external sign was needed to show to others that the result really proceeded from Christ. He put His fingers into his ears to mark the ear-drum that was to be quickened; he spit and touched his tongue to show that its stiffened muscles must be lubricated into limberness; He looked up into heaven to show that the source of power was God; He spoke the word to mark that the effect was instant in time upon the command. 34. "Sighed." Christ's sympathies were touched, and He sighed when He saw the suffering and sorrow around Him. "Ephphatha." The actual Aramic word used by our Lord. 35. "Spake plain." When Christ undertakes a case He always does in complete work. In verses 36 and 37 Jesus charged them to tell no man, but they published it so much the more and were astonished beyond measure.

Baboon's Life Insured.

An insurance agency, of Kenosha, Wis., has written a $25,000 risk on "Major Kelly," an educated baboon.



Easter Customs

THE proper time for the celebration of Easter occasioned no little controversy in the early church, the great mass of the Eastern Christians celebrating the feast upon the 14th of the first Jewish month, or moon—the date of the Passover; the Western Christians celebrated it on Sunday following the 14th day, claiming that this more nearly commemorated the resurrection of Christ. In 325 the Council of Nice decided in favor of the Western usage, and branded the Eastern custom as the "quartodecimen heresy."

The time of Easter being the most ancient and important of all movable feasts of the Christian Church, deter-

mines all the rest. Under the existing arrangement, Easter Sunday never can be earlier than March 22 nor later than April 25. More than any other day of Christian observance it is connected with feasts and customs which antedate the birth of Christ.

Aside from the Jewish festival which marked this time of year, almost every country and every people had its own peculiar rites with which to usher in the spring; and many pagan customs and superstitions therefore are interwoven with the celebration of Eastertide.

The Saxons and Angles celebrated the time as sacred to the Goddess Ostara, and some part of her worship, taken over by the more austere Christians, survives still in the springtime festivals, especially in the countries of Northern Europe. For a long time the Christian Easter was an eight-day thanksgiving, approximating the time

devoted by the pagans to their celebration. It was afterward cut down to three days, then to two, and finally dwindled to a single day, commemorative of the resurrection. Almost every county in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales has its own peculiar custom of superstition relative to the season. And in most of them the egg, typical of birth, had its place as a special token and symbol of Easter. Undoubtedly the coloring of eggs and so-called "egg rollings" originated in a most curious game of ecclesiastical ball played with eggs in the churches of England in the Middle Ages by the monks.

These eggs were colored red, in allusion to the blood shed for sinners. From the records it would appear that the rules of the game varied in different churches, but in the main the pastime the eggs were replaced by egg-hand to hand back and forth and crosswise in a bewildering and complex figure. As a missed egg meant a smashed egg, this game proved detrimental to church furnishings, and in time the egs were replaced by egg-shaped balls, the prizes for skillful playing still being brightly dyed eggs.

Another pastime, which still survives, was to roll eggs down a hill, the one which reached the bottom intact winning the rest. A survival of this custom is found in Washington, where the children gather in the White House grounds on Easter Monday and roll eggs down the grassy slope in front of the building.

Egg contests survive in many rural parts of England. A popular game is that of egg-smashing. Eggs are pitted against each other in a shell-breaking contest. The owner of the egg that cracks the other taking the spoils home in a bucket for an omelette. In Northumberland, if a man asks a woman for an egg on Easter, and is refused, he may take off her shoes and keep them until she pays a penalty. If it is a man who refuses the egg to a woman, she snatches away his cap and holds it for redemption by a money forfeit.

The appearance of a symbolic Eastern king was until lately frequent in England and Continental Europe. He rode gaily, attired with scepter in his hand and a crown on his head, to the local church.

The association of the church and the egg is still maintained in some of the remote provinces of France, where to this day the priest makes Easter visits to his parishioners to bless their homes, and is presented with eggs, both plain and colored.

Eastern superstitions are as numerous as Easter customs. One of the oldest, and around which cling many folk-lore tales and legends, is the widespread belief in the sun participating in the general felicity of the season by dancing in the heavens on Easter day.

Devonshire maidens still get up early on the morning in question to observe not only the dancing sun, but the lamb and flag in the centre of the disk. An old Scotch belief makes the sun even more active, for there it is expected to whirl around like a mill-wheel and give three leaps.

One way to watch for the sun's un-

"EASTER MORNING."

From an engraving by P. Habelmann after the painting by B. Plockhorst.

usual gyrations was to observe its reflection in a pool or pail of water, where any movement on the surface would materially strengthen the illusion. Naturally, whether one stared directly at the sun or watched the reflection in the water, human optics would very quickly see the staid old Orb of Day perform some most remarkable antics.

In immitation of the sun, supposed to rise on Easter Monday in three leaps, the curious custom of lifting in the chair still exists in some parts of England and Ireland. The men lift the women on Easter Monday, the women on Easter Tuesday return the compliment, the victim being lifted three times and then kissed.

In Bulgaria young men and women meet on Easter Monday, congregating in the churchyard attired in holiday dress, and indulge in social games. If, during these games, a girl allows her handkerchief to be taken away by a young man, this is a signal of a proposal and acceptance.

In the Austrian Tyrol Easter pranks like the first of April jokes are the rule. Hospitality is universal at this time, and nobody asking for shelter and food is refused.

A Hungarian Easter custom is the Kalaka; it is a custom with something beside either foolish superstition or perverted church legends behind it. The farmers of a certain district get together and give one of their number—the poorest man in the place—a day's work. After the day of communistic labor is over, there is a supper and dance.

Nowhere is Easter more widely celebrated than in Russia, and nowhere is the egg so much in evidence on that day as there. No man starts out on Easter Sunday in the country districts without a supply of eggs. After the morning service is over priests and laymen click eggs together, as diners touch glasses in a toast as a ceremony of kindly feeling.

It is the Russian usage that no lady, however lofty of birth, may refuse to kiss the humblest petitioner if the request is preceded by the proffer of an Easter egg. This is commonly compromised, however, by the payment of a small coin on the lady's part.

Midnight mass is said in churches of the Greek faith, and just on the stroke of twelve a loud knocking commences at the door and is repeated several times. On the door being opened the priests and their choir hurry in, crying to the worshipers, in imitation of those of old who brought the news of the first resurrection to the disciples, "Christ is risen!" It requires but a minute to change the scene from the gloom of the half-lighted church to one ablaze with many lighted tapers.

In Germany, not the hen, but the hare, is responsible for Easter eggs. The houses in which good children live are visited at night by a white hare, who hides numbers of beautifully colored eggs in nooks and corners for the children to find with much merry-making on the morrow. A belief in some countries is that the bells (which are silent during Passion Week) have journeyed to Rome to obtain the Pope's blessing. They return on Easter eve to welcome the resurrection, bringing with them the gay-hued eggs for good children.

In Hungary, in every cottage whose roof shelters a marriageable girl are to be seen on Easter morning branches of pine decorated with bows of ribbon. They have been brought there over night by young men returning from the fields. The peasant lover, accompanied by several friends, enters the house carrying a pail, and says to the owner:

"I have heard that there is a flower in your garden, and I crave your permission to water it."

The father replies: "I thank you for the honor you have done me in visiting my roof. I have a flower, but it grows without being watered."

To see a lamb out of a window on Easter morning is a good omen, according to the belief of many pastoral people, especially if the lamb be headed in the direction of the house.

EASTER

"HE IS NOT HERE, BUT IS RISEN."

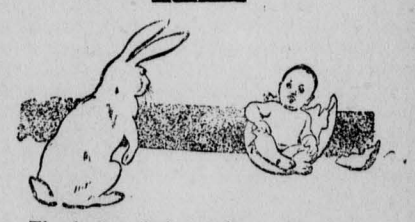
(Drawn by C. G. Pfannschmidt—Engraved from a photograph by the Berlin Photographic Company.)

"The Christian's Prayer."

---Painting by M. Nonnenbruch.

O echo out of the golden dawn of that glad year long ago:
Is it Angel or April bird today, that sings so sweet and low?
And are they, the lilies so tall and white, that wave in the Easter air,
The groping hands of our old lost Hopes, stretched up to our God in prayer?

THE MISPLACED CHILD.



The baby of the egglet
He opens wide his eyes;
The rabbit cocks his wondering ears—
A mutual surprise.
What freaks the hens are wont to play
Every resurrection day!

—Puck.

For hoisting from the 1520-foot level of the Kimberley diamond mine forty seconds is required.

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CASSVILLE.

C. T. Evans is attending Methodist conference at Harrisburg.

Bland Park and family moved to their farm in Smith valley on Tuesday.

Rev. McClain returned from conference on Thursday. He witnessed the terrible ice gorge at Wilkesbarre.

Ira Corbin and Miss Emma Stever were married in Huntingdon by Rev. Fleck on Thursday. The friends wish them a prosperous journey through life.

Misses Bernice and Carrie Houck left on Saturday for Millersville state normal. They are two talented young women and we predict a bright future for them.

We are sorry to note the serious illness of David Wilson. His son, Robert, is here from Philadelphia. Dr. Smith and Dr. Trexler are treating him, and we hope he will soon recover.

The literary department of the Epworth League is intended to stimulate the reading habit. This winter so many have been ill in our town that the members have been busy. Twenty-five packages of good reading were sent to homes, each of these contained religious, social and domestic papers making four hundred pages in all, besides cards and three dozen oranges. We hope they will all feel indebted to the League and attend its meetings when they can.

Grand Family Reception Given A. B. Dell and His Bride.

On Wednesday, 23d inst., the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Dell, of Union township, was a place of jollification and merrymaking. At Altoona on the previous day their son, A. B. Dell, was married to Miss Lillie C. Swope, of Shirley township. To meet and greet this happy young couple Mr. and Mrs. Dell invited a large company of their children and friends. About forty persons assembled during the day and the number more than doubled itself in the evening. Mrs. Dell's table fairly groaned beneath its well prepared load of roasted turkey and festive dainties. Not until the dinner hour had arrived did the good people understand why Mr. Dell was a ready bidder when a choice turkey was offered for sale. Though the assembly was large, the generous preparation of these fond parents was much larger. The calithumpians, too, said "It is good to be here." All were reluctant to leave the merrymaking around the festal board. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Dell and their two daughters, Mrs. W. P. Heck and Mrs. M. F. Chilcote, on the cordial reception given and the elegant dinner served, and give our hands to the happy couple thus launched on the voyage of matrimonial bliss.

May all be permitted to meet these affectionate parents in their happy home many times more is our prayer.

OCCASIONAL.

LOW RATES TO WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE.

Special Ten-day Excursion via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged for low-rate ten-day excursions from Pittsburg and points in Western Pennsylvania to Washington April 14 and May 12. Round-trip tickets will be sold at rates quoted below, good going on train indicated on schedule below, or on train No. 4, leaving Pittsburg at 9.00 P. M., and carrying through sleeping cars to Washington and connecting trains. Special train of through parlor cars and coaches will be run from Pittsburg.

	Train Leaves.	Rate.
Altoona	11 43 A. M.	$8 70
Tyrone	12.06 P. M.	8 25
Huntingdon	12.37 "	7 65
Mt. Union	f12.56 "	7 30
McVeytown	f 1 16 "	6 90
Lewistown Junction	1 35 "	6 55
Washington	Arrive 7 15 P. M.	.....

"f" Stops only on notice to Agent.

Tickets will be good returning on any regular train except the Pennsylvania Limited, Chicago Limited, and St. Louis Limited, until April 23 and May 21, inclusive, respectively, and to stop off at Baltimore within limit.

Should the number of passengers not be sufficient to warrant the running of a special train, the company reserves the privilege to carry participants on regular train.

Tickets on sale in Pittsburg at Union Ticket Office, 360 Fifth Avenue, and Union Station, and at all stations mentioned above. For full information apply to agents or Thomas E. Watt, Passenger Agent Western District, Fifth Avenue and Smithfield Street, Pittsburg.

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Mercantile Appraiser's List

The Venders of Foreign and Domestic Merchandise, Etc., in Huntingdon County, Will Take Notice that They are Appraised and Designated by the Undersigned Appraiser of Mercantile and Other License Taxes, for the Year 1904, as follows, to wit:

Alexandria Boro.

Hutchison Geo R, meats
Isenberg & Co, general merchandise
Jones Bros, confectionery
Kean Jno B, general merchandise
Philips & Aultman, coal
Piper P H, groceries
Martin T S, "
Webb Chas, tobacco
Walker E P, coal & merchandise
Walker W S, tinware

Barree Twp.

Crownover R A, Manor Hill, gen mdse
Crownover T G, Saulsburg, " "
Everts Mrs E M, Massevsburg, groceries
Gardner John A, Saulsburg, "
Gearhart Levi, Manor Hill, gen mdse
McMahon B F, Charter Oak, " "

Broad Top City Boro.

Broadtop City Supply Co, B Top City, gen mdse
Black A J, Broad Top City, gen mdse
Cutshall Silas, Broad Top City, gen mdse
Dell M T, " " " confectionery
Diggins I, L & Elsie, Broad Top City, millinery
Houck S H, Broad Top City, confectionery
Leabhart S W, " " " groceries
Shapiro & Wender, Broad Top City, gen mdse
Miller J R, Broad Top City, gen mdse
Wilkins Jas B, " " " confectionery

Brady Twp.

Etiner John S, Mill Creek, gen mdse
Stonebraker W H, Mill Creek, gen mdse
Hicks J M, " " " "
Tate I, C, " " groceries
Pelan Laura J, Airy Dale, groceries

Carbon Twp.

Eastern Supply Co, Robertsdale, gen mdse
McClain Jesse O, " "
Morgan Fannie " confectionery

Cass Twp.

Parks A M, Saltillo, groceries
Steak A A, " confectionery
Stever Michael, Latta Grove, gen mdse

Cassville Boro.

Corbin Miss Annie M, milliner
Corbin H M, shoes
Green Geo M, flour and doors
Green Austin, collars
Houck J L, general merchandise
Heaton J O, " "
Snyder Wm, shoes

Coalmont Boro.

Ackard Thos E, confectionery
Hess Jacob, general merchandise
Hicks Geo A, " "
Krouse G W, confectionery
Thomson James, general merchandise
Wilson Thomas, groceries

Cromwell Twp.

Kyler Margaret E, Orbisonia, groceries
McManigal John M, Lodema, "
Price Mrs B F, Pogue, general merchandise

Dudley Boro.

Geier Mrs Caroline, confectionery
Henry H N, meats
Maher Wm, confectionery
Reed C D, general merchandise
Reese J C, meats
Sweet W H, general merchandise
Wilkins J A, general merchandise

Dublin Twp.

Clymans Harry S, Decorum, gen mdse
Miller S G, Shade Gap, buggies & sleds
Snyder Joseph H, Shade Gap, gen mdse
Taylor M C, Shade Gap, gen mdse
Wily J K, Neelyton, " "

Franklin Twp.

Archey F W, Penna Furnace, Implements
Bathurst I, W, Graysville, tobacco
Gill G G, Ronald, groceries
Laird W E, Franklinville, gen mdse
Keatley Mrs Annie, Franklinville, gen mdse

Henderson Twp.

Enders Miles, Union Church, groceries
Long G W, Huntingdon "

Huntingdon Boro., First Ward.

Brunswick Hotel, cigars
Bolinger A A, groceries
Bare John S, lumber
Brown I, R, cigars
Denny Alex, general merchandise
Dysart Samuel, groceries
Simpson John G, Implements
Snyder John W, coal
Snyder Lettitia S, groceries

Huntingdon Boro., Second Ward.

Africa Bros, hardware
Baty Art & Music Co, music
Black Mrs Kate E, milliner
Bloom R, shoes
Blair J C Co, stationery
Barrack Maud, groceries
Brown Philip Sons, furniture
Black T W, jewelry
Benkert & Sons, meats
Black & Co, drugs
Chaney S B, hardware
Chaney Mrs H M, milliner
Crownover H, general merchandise
Dick J K, paper
Decker Mrs E M, milliner
Doyle C E, confectionery
Friedly & Co, meats
Fisher G W, confectionary
Grimison Bros, "
Grove & Carcelius, groceries
Hazlett J C, shoes
Hazlett Wm, clothing
Haines A G, novelty
Herncane Bros, general merchandise
Isenberg J G & Son, clothing
Kennedy J F, cigars
Logan Bros, furniture
Leister John & Son, shoes
Leister H I, tobacco
Leister I, R, cigars
Leister H W, drugs
Mayer Hugo, clothing
Miller Bros, tobacco
Miller W G, "
Norris I, harness
Port G Chal, meats
Rohm H C, chinaware
Reed Wm & Sons, dry goods
Read John & Sons, drugs
Stewart & Son, jewelry
Spooneyberger J E, sporting goods
Schaffer Henry, shoes
Spang Geo H, "
Smith S S, drugs
Stewart & Shaffer, clothing
Sanderson G W, general merchandise
Simmison Mrs E M, milliner
Steele H E, drugs
Starr J M, groceries
Shaw C E, candies
Smith I, H, groceries
Wallace Bros, cigars
Westbrook J H & Son, shoes
White Miss Katherine, milliner
White & Strait, coal
Williams G S, shoes
Wilson W R, confectionery
Westbrook F, groceries
Yocum G W, novelty
Zerby I, W, Jewelry
Zeigler Bros, cigars
Vaughn F C, tinner
Shaffer Bros, papers

Huntingdon Boro., Third Ward.

Bagshaw Mary J, milliner
Brenneman O C, confectionery
Barrack W H, meat
Baumbaugh O M, general merchandise
Bayer Margaret J, notions
Blank Isaac, notions
Curns C C, groceries
Croft Amanda, confectionery
Decker & Rouse, meats
Fink B F, hardware
Free John, tobacco
Foust John, coal
Genert M J, hardware
Gerlock H W, foundry
Gordon Charles C, tobacco
Johnson J H, general merchandise
Miller C H, hardware
McCarthy C R & W B, furniture
Miller W B, groceries
Port John A, meats
Acme Dept Store, general merchandise
Quinter David, coal
Opera House Drug Store, drugs
Swartz Mac, metals
Stouffer & Brenneman, flour & feed
Warfel Nelson, confectionery
Westbrook J L, "
Walton V B, groceries
Yoder J B, general merchandise
Juniata Planing Mill Co, lumber
Isenberg Milling Co, coal, lumber & tile

Huntingdon Boro., Fourth Ward.

Clements S J, confectionery
Ergler Florian, groceries
Houck David, confectionery
Hicks Bros, meats
Hall Harry, groceries
Coffman David, "
Long D R, groceries
Robb M Ray, meats
Taylor S B & Co, groceries
Wright J Oliver, "
Milliken W R, coal,
Nophsker J S, general merchandise

Hopewell Twp.

Brumbaugh L N, Foxton, confectionery
Brumbaugh Mrs M E, Shy Beaver, gen mdse
Dorman John, " " "
Smith Mrs Annie, Saxton, groceries
Hess Chas R, Shy Beaver, gen mdse

Jackson Twp.

Crownover Minnie, McAlevys Fort, milliner
Cummins W M, " " gen mdse
Harper Libbie B, " " milliner
Gallowy J D, " " shoes & confec
Harper A W, " " leather
Mitchel Geo W, " " gen mdse
Whipple Mrs Sue, " " cigars
Wilson T P, Ennisville, general merchandise
Straut W H, Greenwood Furnace, gen mdse

Lincoln Twp.

Shultz D F, Entriken, general merchandise
Hess John, " " "

Logan Twp.

Shipton Mary P, Ribot, groceries

Marklesburg Boro.

Brumbaugh I G, James Creek, gen mdse
Fouse B G, " " " "
Garner A B, " " groceries
Spang W E, " " "

Mapleton Boro.

Baker L F, cigars
Clark C H, general merchandise
Gillam John G, general merchandise
McCarl R N, shoes & groceries
Neice M L, feed
O'Connor Benj & Sons, general merchandise
Stombaugh J W, confectionery
Swope H H, coal
Wallet Frank, general merchandise
Wright Alice, confectionery
Wright & Dell, general merchandise

Miller Twp.

Blair James, Corupropsts Mills, gen mdse

Morris Twp.

Merriman J, Water Street, groceries
Waite T C, " " gen mdse

Mount Union Boro.

Adams T H, general merchandise
Appleby T A, " "
Bennett Mrs H, shoes
Barkley A J, general merchandise
Both Frank, harness
Brumbaugh M E, harness
Cohen B, clothing
Crum C B, general merchandise
Davis & Bros, confections & notions
Ewing W G, general merchandise
Fields E Clark, meats
Hunter W A, drugs
Harrison H W & Bro, hardware
Hunter Mrs Nettie, milliner
Horting F O, jewelry
Longacre R M, general merchandise
Love Maggie, confectionery
Lukens Geo W, "
Maxwell H Wilson, hardware
Neely & Minnick, drugs
McClain D E, furniture
Nevel James M, cigars
Postlethwaite H, coal
Patterson Miss N D, milliner
Peterson Bros, meats
Rinker B F & Co, meats
Ripple John, confectionery
Rhodes E M, drugs
Rummel David, flour and feed
Seibert A B, confectionery
Shapiro Bros, general merchandise
Smelker H S, " "
Thompson G W, confectionery
Thompson C B, "
Vaughn M, cigars
Vulcan Trading Co, general merchandise
Welch D G & Bro, clothing
Welch A S, hardware
Wharton Geo D, cigars
Weams Mrs R, confectionery
Whitsel A L, "
Wharton B C, general merchandise
Wharton D S, jewelry
Yeagle Samuel, confectionery

Oneida Twp.

Foster J H, Donation, general merchandise
Hearn A B, Gorsuch, groceries
McElwain G L, Gorsuch, general merchandise

Orbisonia Boro.

Ashman John K, cigars
Cummins F F, general merchandise
Conn Bros, " "
Burns Mrs Mary, milliner
Boyles Mrs D M, "
Brandt Mollie, "
Enyeart D R P, hardware
Heck E O, general merchandise
Houck & Chilcoat, furniture
Hebzel S F, harness
Hicks Geo W, confectionery
James G W C, drugs
Myers L J, hardware
Moore S C, meats
Nevill S B, cigars
Ott Wesley, confectionery
Ott Mrs Lillie M, milliner
Rowe J J, meats
Shapiro Bros, general merchandise
Shaffner H V, cigars
Weller M A, confectionery
Workman Isaac, general merchandise

Porter Twp.

McElroy Mrs R M, Barree Forge, groceries

Penn Twp.

Auman Jacob, Aitch, groceries
Beaver S H, " "
Davis H H, Grafton, general merchandise
Grove G C, " " "
Keith Jeremiah, Aitch, general merchandise

Petersburg Boro.

Bruner O F, shoes
Davis J W, meats
Hoffman & Thompson, general merchandise
Heffner Bros, general merchandise
Metz W J, cigars
McCafferty C F, confectionery
Monbeck Jno M, "
Porter Wm A, general merchandise
Sewart F I, " "
Steel Edward " "
Swope E M, hardware
Striker S I, general merchandise
Wilson Anna M, milliner
Young J Elmer, general merchandise

Rockhill Boro.

Campbell Wm, jewelry
Chilcoat B F, general merchandise
Pucky & Co, tile

Spruce Creek Twp.

Graffius Clara, general merchandise
Haslett A M, confectionery
Law John H, general merchandise
Miller B R, confectionery
Stevens O W, coal
Thompson S C, general merchandise

Shirleysburg Boro.

Brewster W H, general merchandise
Barton B C, coal
Harris Ellie M, cigars
Lightner W H, general merchandise
Miller G W, " "
Miller W S, hardware
Riffle B W, general merchandise
Myers Leslie J, hardware and implements

Shade Gap Boro.

Montgomery S C, general merchandise
Swan J H, " "
Zeigler H C, tinware

Saltillo Boro.

Crum C B, general merchandise
Brodbeck G W, groceries
Greenland M S, furniture
Heeter Geo A, confectionery
Kimmel S W, hardware
McClain D E, "
Weaver H T, general merchandise

Springfield Twp.

Brewster J C, Meadow Gap, general merchandise
Cutshall Selea, Selea, groceries
Locke Harrison, " general merchandise
Locke H R, Maddensville, general merchandise
Reihart J S, " " "
Curfman Geo A, Meadow Gap, groceries

Shirley Twp.

Baird Mary C, Cora, groceries
Zeigler John, Aughwick Mills, gen mdse

Smithfield Twp.

Black J G & Co, Huntingdon, gen mdse

Three Springs Boro.

Bence B T, furniture
Cohick John, coal
Doyle D G, confectionery
Hockenbery G M, general merchandise
Park Clay " "
Starr C E, feed and fertilizer
Stevens B F, hardware
Stevens E B, confectionery
Wilson H E, general merchandise

Tod Twp.

Griffith Amos, Eagle Foundry, groceries
Green Chas L, Trough Creek, gen mdse
Taylor Chas E, Todd, general merchandise

Tell Twp.

Blair J M & Co, Blairs Mills, general merchandise
Goshorn T B, McNeal, general merchandise
Johns J A, Blairs Mills, " "
Love D H, Shade Valley
McMath J S, Blairs Mills, cigars
Parsons Wm Mc, McNeal, groceries
Scott A W, Nossville, general merchandise
Wolfgang Banks, Blairs Mills, furniture

Union Twp.

Shaffer J C, Calvin, general merchandise
Wright W P, Calvin, groceries

Warriorsmark Twp.

Chronister Martin M, Warriorsmark, gen mdse
Cox Geo B, " confect'n'y
Dent Chas R, " gen mdse
Lehman J R, " " "
Mattern F K, " " "
Nearhoof B F, " groceries
Warriorsmark Foundry & Supply Co, Warriorsmark, gen mdse
Wilson Wm, Birmingham, groceries

Walker Twp.

Bupp I Y, McConnellstown, confectionery
Heffner Baker, " meats
Heffner J B, " coal
Householder J F N, McConnellstown, tobacco
Lang C W, McConnellstown, meats
Loyd J W, " gen mdse
Peighial W M, " " "

West Twp.

Croyle S E, Neffs Mills, general merchandise
Eberts John & Son, Cottage, general merchandise
Ewing O L, Neffs Mills, groceries
Henry J Thompson, Cottage, gen mdse

WHOLESALE.

Bayer-Beaver Co, Huntingdon 1st ward, groceries
Grimison Bros, " 2nd " confec
Stewart & Co, " " " lumber
Rohm H C, Huntingdon 2nd ward, queensware
Acme Dept Store, " 3rd ward, gen mdse
Miller C H, " " hardware

Smithfield Twp.

Snyder John W, Huntingdon, cold storage
Atlantic Refining Co, " oil

EATING HOUSES.

Doyle C E, Huntingdon 2nd ward
Fisher Geo W, " "
Lightner W E, " "
Wilson W R, " "
Brenneman O C, Huntingdon 3rd ward
Warfel Nelson, " "
Thompson G W, Mt Union Boro

POOL AND BILLIARDS.

Miller W G, Huntingdon 2nd ward, 2 tables
Corbin H U G, " " 3 tables
Thompson C B, Mt Union Borough, 2 tables

TAKE NOTICE—All who are concerned in this appraisement, that an appeal will be held at the Court House in Huntingdon, on the 6th day of April, A. D., 1904, when and where you may appeal from said rating if you think proper.

SAMUEL WHITSEL,
Mercantile Appraiser.

Huntingdon, Pa., March 26, 1904.

EGGS FOR SETTING—Thoroughbred poultry—Silver Spangled Hamburg, Single Comb Black Minorca, Single Comb White Plymouth Rock. Price, 50 cents for thirteen eggs. W. D. MELCHER. 1327 Mifflin street, Huntingdon, Pa. 3-23-3t

May, 1884. B. O'Connor & Sons. Oct., 1903.

NEXT WEEK WE WILL HAVE IN

Our Fall and Winter Stock

OF

Men's Women's Youths' Children's

LEATHER AND RUBBER FOOTWEAR.

The stock was bought from the largest manufacturers and jobbers in the country. Bought for net spot cash, and we will promise you the best value for your money.

Remember, we sell Boots and Shoes at lowest profit.

We also call your attention to our Bed Comfortables—bed spreads, blankets, pillows, &c., &c.

If you need a

HEATING or COOK STOVE

get our prices before you buy. Sure to save you money.

Fodder Twine, Shingles, Tar Roofing, Lime, in fact we have the largest variety of goods in town.

If we should not have what you want, will try to get it for you. LOWEST PRICES.

B. O'Connor & Sons.

Mapleton Depot, Pa., Sep. 30, 1903.

Central Banking Co.
MOUNT UNION, PA.

T. H. ADAMS, President
W. T. BELL, Cashier

Discount Day—Wednesday

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STANDING STONE
NATIONAL BANK
OF HUNTINGDON, PA.,
No. 412 Penn St.

OFFICERS:
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H. B. BRUMBAUGH, Vice President.
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DIRECTORS:
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Absolute safety of investment and courteous treatment of patrons are assured to the public, whose patronage is respectfully invited.

THE "ITEM"
$1.00 per Year.

The Mapleton Item.

Mapleton Depot, Pa., Mar. 30, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 29, 1903.

	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly. Night	D'ly. A.M.	D ly. A.M.	D'lv. A. M	D'ly ex S. P.M.
New York:						
W. 23d St. Sta.	7 55	12 10	. . .	. . .	8 55	5 55
Desb's St. Sta.	8 00	12 15	. . .	. . .	9 00	6 00
Cort'dtSt. Sta.	8 00	12 15	. . .	. . .	9 00	6 00
Philadelphia	11 40	4 25	7 10	11 40	11 40	5 30
Washington.	10 40	. . .	7 50	. . .	10 50	5 40
Baltimore	11 55	4 44	8 52	. . .	12 00	7 00

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Harrisburg	2 50	8 00	11 48	. .	3 10	5 20	11 35
Rockville	. .	8 12	11 59	.	. .	5 32	10 46
Marysville.	f3 04	8 17	12 03	. .	. .	5 37	10 49
Duncannon	f3 18	8 35	12 16	. .	3 35	5 54	11 03
Newport	f3 40	9 05	12 37	. .	3 55	6 22	11 25
Millerst'wn	. .	9 14	f12 45	. .	. .	6 32	f11 34
Thom's't'n	. .	9 25	f12 53	. .	. .	6 22	f11 42
Port Royal	f4 13	9 43	f 1 07	. .	f4 22	6 59	f11 57
Mifflin	. .	4 18	9 48	1 11	. .	4 27	7 05 12 01
Lewist'n Jc.	4 40	10 14	1 30	. .	4 46	7 28	12 22
McVeytown	f5 02	10 39	1 48	. .	J5 04	7 52	. .
N. Hamilt'n	f5 21	11 01	f 2 04	. .	. .	8 12	. .
Mt. Union	f5 27	11 07	2 08	. .	5 25	8 18	. .
Mapleton.	f5 33	11 13	f 2 14	. .	. .	8 25	. .
Huntingdon	5 50	11 32	2 29	. .	5 44	8 43	. .
Petersburg.	f6 07	11 47	2 43	. .	. .	8 57	. .
Birm'gham.	f6 35	12 13	3 07	. .	H6 14	9 19	. .
Tyrone	. .	6 42	12 20	3 12	. .	6 19	9 25	. .
Bellwood	. .	7 07	12 41	3 29	. .	6 37	9 42	. .
Altoona	. .	7 30	1 00	3 45	. .	6 55	10 00	. .
Pittsburg	. .	12 10	50	8 45	. .	10 45	1 50	. .
		P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.

"J" stops on signal to discharge passengers from Harrisburg and east and south of Harrisburg.

"H" stops on signal to let off passengers from points east and south of Harrisburg, and to take on passengers for Pittsburg and beyond.

Additional trains leave Harrisburg for Altoona and Pittsburg as follows: 1.35, 2.41, 11.45 a.m., 12.55, 2.53, 3.05, 7.20, 9.48, 11.05 and 11.55 p. m. daily.

	Week days. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly P.M.
Pittsburg	. .	3 00	3 00	8 00	. .	12 45	4 55
Altoona	5 00	6 25	7 05	11 43	1 50	5 55	9 05
Bellwood	f5 12	. .	7 20	m11 55	2 04	6 10	9 19
Tyrone	5 24	6 47	7 38	12 06	2 20	6 27	9 33
Birm'gham	f5 28	. .	7 43	g12 10	2 25	6 32	P9 38
Petersburg.	f5 46	. .	8 07	. .	2 48	f6 56	. .
Huntingdon	5 57	7 17	8 20	12 37	3 02	7 10	10 12
Mapleton	. . f6 11	. .	8 36	. .	3 19	7 24	. .
Mt. Union	f6 17	. .	8 42	m12 56	3 26	7 29	f10 32
N. Hamilton	f6 22	. .	8 46	. .	3 32	7 34	. .
McVeytown.	6 40	. .	9 05	m11 16	3 53	f7 51	. .
Lewist'n Jc.	7 00	f8 05	9 27	1 35	4 18	8 10	11 16
Mifflin	. . 7 22	. .	9 48	m11 52	4 42	8 30	f11 37
Port Royal	7 27	. .	9 52	. .	4 48	8 34	. .
Thom's't'n	7 42	. .	10 08	. .	5 07	f8 48	. .
Millerstown.	7 51	. .	10 18	. .	5 17	f8 57	. .
Newport	. . 8 00	. .	10 28	. .	5 29	9 05	. .
Duncannon	8 27	. .	10 52	. .	5 57	f9 29	. .
Marysville	8 44	. .	11 07	. .	6 15	f9 43	. .
Rockville	. . 8 48	. .	11 12	. .	6 22	f9 48	. .
Harrisburg	9 00	9 30	11 25	3 10	6 35	10 00	1 00

	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.
Baltimore	12 15	12 15	*3 11	6 00	9 45	2 20	7 15
Washington	1 20	1 20	*4 20	7 15	. .	3 30	8 30
Philadelphia	11 48	12 17	*3 17	6 23	10 47	4 23	4 23
New York:							
Desb's St.	2 03	2 53	*5 53	9 30	3 53	. .	7 13
Cort'dt St.	2 03	2 53	*5 53	9 30	3 53	. .	7 13
W. 23d St.	2 15	3 00	*6 00	9 40	. .	. .	7 15
	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.

Additional trains leave Pittsburg for Altoona, Harrisburg, and Philadelphia as follows: 3.35, 7.15 and 7.30 a. m., 12.01, 4.50, 7.10, 9.00 and 10 00 p. m. daily.

*Week days only. "g" stops to let off passengers from Pittsburg and beyond, and to take on passengers for Harrisburg and beyond. "f" stops only on signal, or notice to agent or conductor, to receive or discharge passengers.

"m" passenger section will stop on signal to discharge or receive passengers.

"p" stops to discharge passengers from East Liberty, Pittsburg and beyond.

Connecting trains leave as follows:

At Lewistown Junction—For Sunbury 7.30 a. m. and 3.00 p. m. week days.

For McClure 7.30 a. m., 3.00 and 6.10 p. m. weekdays.

For Milroy 7.40 a. m., 1.50 and 4 50 p. m. week days.

For Reedsville 7.40 a. m., 1.50, 4.50 and 5.25 p. m. week days.

At Huntingdon—For Bedford and Cumberland 8.35 a. m. and 5.55 p. m. week days. Bedford only 8.35 a. m. Sundays.

At Tyrone—For Clearfield, Curwensville and Grampain, 8.00 a. m., 3 55 and 6.50 p. m. week days, and 8.00 a m. Sundays.

For Bellefonte and Lock Haven 8.10 a. m., 12.25 and 7.00 p. m. week days. 8.10 a. m. Sundays.

For Scotia 7.50 a. m. and 2.50 p. m. week days.

PENNSYLVANIA AND NORTHWESTERN R. R.

Trains leave Bellwood for Punxsutawney 8.00 a. m. and 3.38 p. m. week days, arrive at Bellwood at 11.08 a. m. and 5.44 p. m. week days.

For rates, maps and detailed information, call on Ticket Agents, or address Thos. E. Watt, Passenger Agent Western District, 360 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.

W. W. ATTERBURY, General Manager. J. R. WOOD, Pass'r Traffic Manager.
GEO. W. BOYD, General Passenger Agent.

HUNTINGDON AND BROAD TOP RAILROAD.

On and after Monday, June 29, 1903, trains will arrive and depart as follows:

SOUTH Expr's A M	SOUTH Mail P M	STATIONS	NORTH Mail A M	NORTH F.l i ie P M
8 35	5 56	. Huntingdon .	11 10	5 15
8 45	6 05	McConnellstown	11 00	5 05
8 50	6 09	. . Grafton . .	10 56	5 00
8 55	6 14	. Brumbaugh .	10 51	4 55
8 59	6 18	. . Marklesburg .	10 47	4 51
9 06	6 25	. . Entrikin . .	10 40	4 44
9 11	6 30	. . . Beaver . . .	10 35	4 39
9 16	6 35	. . . Cove . . .	10 30	4 34
9 27	6 46	. . . Saxton . . .	10 20	4 23
9 31	6 50	. . . Clark . . .	10 15	4 18
9 39	6 58	. Riddlesburg .	10 08	4 11
9 44	7 02	. . Hopewell . .	10 04	4 07
9 56	7 10	. . . Cypher . . .	9 56	3 59
10 07	7 19	. . Tatesville . .	9 46	3 50
10 17	7 27	. . Everett . .	9 38	3 43
10 20	7 30	. . Mt. Dallas . .	9 35	3 40
10 43	7 50	. . Bedford . .	9 15	3 20
11 35	8 35	. . Hyndman . .	8 28	2 30
12 05	9 05	. . Cumberland .	8 00	2 00

Sunday train leaves Huntiugdon at 8.35 a. m. and returning 5.30 p. m.

SHOUP'S BRANCH.

SOUTH Expr's A M	STATIONS	NORTH Expr's P M
9 35	. . . Saxton . . .	4 00
9 50	. . Coalmont . .	3 45
	. . Crawford . .	
10 05	. . . Dudley . . .	3 30

CARL M. GAGE, General Manager.

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The undersigned having purchased the outfit of J. F. Park, will run his hack between Cassville and Mapleton on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays leaving Cassville at 7.00 o'clock A. M., and leaving Mapleton at one P. M. unless notified to wait for afternoon trains. The patronage of the public solicited.

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WANTED—3,000 Cords of Wood.

I will pay the following prices for wood delivered on wharf at Mapleton Depot, Pa., and Mill Creek, Pa.: Linn, poplar and cucumber, $6.50; hard woods—ash, elm, gum, birch, beech, maple, sugar, buttonwood, hickory, cherry (all together), $5.00; jack and yellow pine, $4.00; white pine, $4.00; hemlock, $3.75; chestnut and rock oak, gondola wood in rough, $2.20. All wood to be in good marketable condition and to be delivered during the year 1904. Prompt cash payments the 15th of each month for all wood shipped the previous month. B. F. BAKER.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE—

Estate of John W. Shore, deceased.

Letters of administration on the estate of John W. Shore, late of Springfield township, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons knowing themselves to be indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and to those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement.

JAMES SHORE, Administrator.
C. C. BREWSTER, Atty., Maddensville, Pa.
Huntingdon, Pa. 3-16-6t

AUDITORS' STATEMENT of the financial condition of Mapleton Borough for the year ending March 7, 1904. Tax rate, six mills.

Account of J. A. Toomey, collector.

DR.		
To amount of Duplicate		$542 02
" 5 per cent. added on $58.42		2 92
CR.		
By exonerations		$ 3 15
" 5 per cent. off $414.92 for prompt payment		20 73
" 3 per cent. for collecting $414.92		12 45
" 5 per cent. for collecting $123.95		6 20
" Treasurer's receipts		502 41
	$544 94	$544 94

Account of A. W. Swope, Treasurer Mapleton Borough Fund.

DR.		
To amt. from preceding year	$174 38	
" amount from Collector	502 41	
" amount from Auditor General tax on foreign insurance	4 00	
" fines from Burgess	9 10	
CR.		
By vouchers		$273 41
" 2 per cent. commission as Treasurer		5 47
Balance Dr.		411 01
	$689 89	$689 89
Balance in Treasurer's hands	$411 01	
Outstanding order	$318 60	

We, the undersigned auditors of Mapleton Borough, being duly sworn, do certify that we have audited the accounts of the collector and treasurer of Mapleton Borough and that the foregoing is a true statement thereof.

JOS. S. WILSON,
L. F. BAKER,
Mapleton Borough, March 18, 1904. Auditors.

EAST BROAD TOP RAILROAD.

Schedule in Effect January 11, 1904

SOUTHWARD	No. 2 a.m.	No. 4 p.m.	No. 6 a.m.	No. 8 a.m.
Mount Union . . . LEAVE	9 05	3 50	11 15	. .
Augh. Mills	9 22	4 08	11 32	. .
Shirley	9 35	4 20	11 45	. .
Orbisonia	9 50	4 35	12 00	. .
	10 00	4 45	1 15	5 30
Pogue	10 12	4 57	1 27	5 40
Three Springs	10 23	5 12	1 45	5 50
Saltillo	10 30	5 25	1 55	5 58
Cole's	11 03	5 58	2 25	6 30
Rocky Ridge	11 08	6 03	2 30	6 35
Cook's	11 18	6 13	2 40	6 45
Robertsdale . . . ARRIVE	11 30	6 25	2 50	6 55
	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.

NORTHWARD	No. 1 A.M.	No. 3 P.M.	No. 5 A.M.	No. 7 P.M.
Robertsdale . . . LEAVE	6 05	12 45	8 20	4 30
Cook's	6 15	12 55	8 30	4 40
Rocky Ridge	6 25	1 03	8 38	4 48
Cole's	6 30	1 09	8 43	4 55
Saltillo	7 00	1 38	9 12	5 25
Three Springs	7 08	1 43	9 20	5 32
Pogue	7 20	1 57	†9 32	5 42
Orbisonia	7 38	2 15	9 50	5 55
	7 45	2 20	10 00	. .
Shirley	8 00	2 35	10 15	. .
Augh. Mills	8 10	2 45	†10 25	. .
Mount Union . . ARRIVE	8 30	3 05	10 45	. .
	a.m.	p.m	a.m.	p.m.

SHADE GAP BRANCH.

SOUTHWARD No. 12 p.m.	No. 10 a.m.	STATIONS	NORTHWARD No. 9 a.m.	No. 11 p.m
4 50	8 45	Lv . . Orbisonia . . Ar	9 45	5 45
4 58	8 52	. *Blacklog .	9 38	5 38
5 06	9 00	.*Cedar Rock .	9 30	5 30
5 09	9 03	.*Locke Valley.	9 27	5 27
5 15	9 10	Ar . Shade Gap . Lv	9 20	5 20
p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.

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Peter Corcelius and Bertha Garner, both of Penn township, Pa.

David W. Johnston and Lizzie M. Brought, both of Brady township, Pa.

B. M. Hearn, Harrisburg, Pa., and Laura Krieger, Huntingdon, Pa.

S. A. Wakefield, Shirley township, and Viola Morical, Mt. Union, Pa.

Isaac Cutchall, Three Springs, and Ellen Fossler, Robertsdale, Pa.

H. M. Appleby, Dublin township, and Lettie G. Vaughn, Tell township, Pa.

Miles D. Shenefelt, Juniata township, and Grace A. White, Penn township, Pa.

Samuel A. Foster, Petersburg, and Fannie A. Black, Frankstown, Blair Co., Pa.

H. W. Shaffer, Huntingdon, and Lola Z. Garner, Morris township, Pa.

D. C. Bealman and Edith V. Swan, both of Shade Gap, Pa.

C. A. Roub, Spruce Creek, and Pearl C. Bonsell, Tyrone, Pa.

A. B. Dell, Union township, and Lillie C. M. Swope, Mt. Union, Pa.

Samuel W. Couch, Miller township, and Lillian Gussman, Morris township, Pa.

Ira R. Corbin and Emma C. Stever, both of Cass township, Pa.

Walter D. Ritter, Mill Creek, and Elsie M. Campbell, Huntingdon, Pa.

Andrew Kuharik and Sue Roberts, both of Robertsdale, Pa.

In Loving Memory of Mrs. Ella Pheasant.

Dearest Ella, thou art gone,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in thy home
Which never can be filled.

We realize 'tis sad indeed
For us to give thee up;
But when we know our time must come
To taste that bitter cup.

We'll never hear thy voice again,
In this vain world below;
But then we know 'tis well with thee,
For He hath told us so.

'Twas sad to see thee breathe thy last,
But Jesus lovingly said, "Come!"
Now thy sufferings all are past,
And thy sweet spirit rests at home.

Oh! the hope, the hope is sweet,
That we soon in heaven may meet!
There we all shall happy be—
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Deeds Entered for Record.

F. B. Koch and wife to L. W. Zerby, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $1100.

H. F. Schucker to John S. Lloyd, property in Walker township. Consideration $409.75.

E. L. Mattern and wife to Elizabeth A. Taylor, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $550.

Elizabeth A. Taylor to Wm. B. Thompson, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $550.

S. H. Irvin, sheriff, to L. B. Doty, property in Mt. Union. Consideration $5.00.

I. C. Horton, administrator, to J. A. McClain, property in Tod township. Consideration $1865.

A. W. Oppel and wife to F. L. Oppel, property in Shirley township. Consideration $400.

C. M. Cross and wife to Henry A. Neff, property in Alexandria. Consideration $300.

G. W. Vawn and wife to Moses Vaughn, property in Mt. Union. Consideration $250.

Wm. H. Lightner and wife to D. A. L. Wogan, property in Shirleysburg. Consideration $350.

Benj. O'Connor and wife to Frank O'Connor, property in Mapleton. Consideration $1.00

Lucretia A. Isenberg to John B. Kunz, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $6500.

John Wilson et al. to Harry O. Speck, property in Henderson township. Consideration $5700.

James A. Garner and wife to Homer E. Garner, property in Henderson township. Consideration $330.

John Brewster and wife to D. C. Roland, property in Union township. Consideration $210.

Cyrus S. Cummins et al. to Robert Cummins' heirs, property in Jackson township. Consideration $3110.

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P. A. Danforth, of Lagrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cts. Sold by Wright & Dell.

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IS HERE and we are more than ready for it. Our complete is in stock and a fine showing it makes. Quite a furore is raging over the little tan jackets. Our line is complete, the numbers at $5.00 and $6 00 being especially fine with better ones at $7.50, $8.00 and $10.00.

RAIN COATS are most essential these showery spring days. We show a beautiful line at $10 00 each and up to $25.00. They are all in the newest styles and of late fabrics. Every one of them has a style of its own.

THE NEW SUITS are full of new ideas and are worthy of inspection. Our suits are fine fitting, and well made. If we cannot fit you in stock, we'll have one made for you. Be sure to see the line.

Never before have we been so well equipped in every department. The store is overflowing with new things. If the weather is too much for you come to this store. The beautiful spring lines will reassure you and you'll realize that spring is coming.

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Miss Whittaker, a prominent club woman of Savannah, Ga., tells how she was entirely cured of ovarian troubles by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I heartily recommend **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** as a Uterine Tonic and Regulator. I suffered for four years with irregularities and Uterine troubles. No one but those who have experienced this dreadful agony can form any idea of the physical and mental misery those endure who are thus afflicted. Your **Vegetable Compound** cured me within three months. I was fully restored to health and strength, and now my periods are regular and painless. What a blessing it is to be able to obtain such a remedy when so many doctors fail to help you. **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** is better than any doctor or medicine I ever had. Very truly yours, MISS EASY WHITTAKER, 604 39th St., W. Savannah, Ga." — *$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

The testimonials which we are constantly publishing from grateful women prove beyond a doubt the power of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to conquer female diseases.

Progress of Cremation.

The body of Herbert Spencer was cremated. How many centuries must pass before the swift increase of the population of the world will so multiply the number of deaths that the space available for cemeteries will prove to be insufficient for the general custom of burials?—New York Tribune.

Pessimists are usualy old bachelors who are glad of it. N. Y.—14

HAPPY WOMEN.

Wouldn't any woman be happy,
After years of backache suffering,
Days of misery, nights of unrest,
The distress of urinary troubles,
She finds relief and cure?
No reason why any reader
Should suffer in the face of evidence like this:

Mrs. Almira A. Jackson, of East Front St., Traverse City, Mich., says: "For twenty years I never knew what it was to have good health. Every physician consulted said I had liver trouble, but their medicines did me no good. Just before I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I was almost paralyzed. I could hardly stand on my feet because of the numbness and lack of circulation. Had a knife been thrust into my kidneys the pain could not have been more intense. My sleep was disturbed by visions of distorted figures. The kidney secretions were annoyingly irregular, and I was tortured with thirst and always bloated. I used seven boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills. The bloating subsided until I weighed 100 pounds less. could sleep like a child and was relieved of the pain and the irregularity of the kidney action. My circulation is good and I feel better in every way."

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A SERMON FOR SUNDAY

AN ELOQUENT DISCOURSE BY THE REV. A. B. KINSOLVING, D. D.

Subject: Presumptuous Sins—The Commonest Sin Among Men is Sacrificing the Interests of the Spiritual and Eternal to the Carnal and Temporal.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Dr. Arthur B. Kinsolving, rector of Christ Church, preached an excellent sermon Sunday morning, on "Presumptuous Sins." The two texts were from Matthew iv: 5 and 6: "Then the devil taketh Him into the holy city and he set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto Him, if Thou art the Son of God cast Thyself down, for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee; and on their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest haply Thou dash Thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, "Again it is written, thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God;" and Psalms xix: 13: "Keep back Thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me; then shall I be upright and innocent from the great transgression." Dr. Kinsolving said:

In pursuing our purpose of trying to interpret the unfolding life of the Lord Jesus and to read its lessons for ourselves, we preached last Sunday the tempted Jesus. We found in the narrative of the temptation a record of just a mental and spiritual struggle as we should have expected Him to go through at this stage of His career. It is impossible to suppose that He could have decided instantaneously and without long meditation and conflict upon the plan of His life as the "sent of God." Clearly He had a plan and adhered to it throughout life.

We remarked upon the deep interest that each one of us has in the moral struggle and victory of Jesus, and how just in proportion as we are led by the Holy Spirit to lofty and noble ideals of life, we are conscious of these subtle earthly lures which would deflect us from our truest paths.

We spoke of the fatalistic non-resistance to temptation so much in vogue nowadays as something not worth while, because in a world where the frailty of man is exposed to such overwhelming allurements of world, flesh and devil, it is certain beforehand that a vast percentage of men and women will fall. The Maker of men and not the victims of sin is the most responsible, so this school teaches, and by such doctrines the person assailed is induced to yield without a struggle. Jesus' conflict and victory teach us that this is a libel upon God. Through a putting forth of such strength as we have, through a prayerful desire to be and do what is right, our vision is cleared and our wills grow strong, and while God can never entirely shelter us from temptation He can and does defend us in temptation, and with every solicitation to wrongdoing show us the way of escape.

Then we tried to learn the lesson of Christ's first temptation. The question which first confronted Him as our representative was the old and ever-pressing question of daily bread. The tempter proceeds upon the assumption that all man needs for his sustenance is food for the physical life. You have a right to this, he says, on any terms, and there is nothing else to be considered by comparison with this. So make provision for yourself and the body's bread first. "You are to feed the hungry; feed first yourself." "If Thou art the son of God, command that these stones be made loaves—and then You may live to execute Your Father's business."

The answer of Jesus came from a Man gaunt and weary by long fasting and days of conflict. "The physical life is not man's only life, and I will not act as if it were," He says, "by exempting Myself from privations which I have come to share with My brethren. If I am hungry, that lies within the will of God for Me, and I choose hunger in that will, rather than satisfaction outside of and against that will. I will not hurt or kill My moral or spiritual life as the filial, dependent and obedient Child of God by providing on guilty terms for the feeding of My bodily life. For if, through privation, the bodily wrapping of life should perish there would still be left My essential manhood and My eternal relationship with the Father. Therefore I choose the obedient and dependent life, and will trust the care and wisdom of My Father unto the end."

Jesus there enunciated a philosophy of life which is as sane as it is lofty and spiritual. Perhaps the commonest sin among men is sacrificing the interests of the spiritual and eternal to the carnal and temporal. All about us they are prone to live as if man did live by bread alone, and where this is true they will have bread on any terms, and getting it becomes the consuming passion of life. By choosing, instead, the hunger that resulted from dwelling in the will of God, rather than the passing gratification gotten at the price of disobedience, our Master won for us the great initial victory over temptation, and by His spirit and example has been leading millions to victory along the same path ever since.

In the second temptation—I take the order given in St. Matthew as the natural order—the point of attack has changed. The tempter had sought to overthrow the obedience of Christ by an assault upon His physical appetites and faith in His Father's care. He had overcome the temptation through the strength of His trust in God. So now the attack is made upon Him through that very trust. An unswerving loyalty and confidence in the will of God has been discovered. That loving trust it was which made Him choose to suffer the pangs of hunger, rather than arbitrarily terminate them by a miracle wrought for Himself. Ah, then, here is His strength, so near by there must lurk His weakness! "Then," we read, "the devil taketh Him into the holy city and setteth Him upon that corner of the wing of the temple which overlooks from its dizzy height the priests' court below, where the thousands of Jewish pilgrims have gathered from all over the world. 'If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down.' That will be an ideal and perfect test of your filial relation and your Father's care for You. Descend, heaven-borne, into the midst of priests and people, win instantly the acclamation and popular welcome which You will else have to conquer by long years of suffering and failure. What worship and honor and homage will be Yours! How quickly You will stand at the head of believing Israel! Surely, there is nothing to fear, for it is written, 'He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee; and on their hands they shall bear Thee up, lest, haply, Thou dash Thy foot against a stone.'"

The very choice of the location of the temptation attests the subtlety of the tempter. He is taken to the Holy City and to a pinnacle, or wing, of the temple. Think what must have been Jesus' sacred love for Jerusalem and how naturally and deeply His mind would have been influenced by the surroundings. All the passionate religious patriotism of His nature, all His deepest springs of feeling would be touched by the sacred associations of the Holy City. "Beautiful for elevation, the joy of the whole earth, the city of the great king, whither the tribes of the Lord go up year by year for worship." How precious were its sights: "As the mountains lie around about Jerusalem, so encampeth the Lord about them that love Him." "If I forget thee, O, Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its cunning." If for a devout Jew there was a spot on earth which warranted the most unconditioned trust, it was the temple of Jehovah in the first religious capital of the world. Here it was, while His soul was vibrating with a triumphant sense of trust won by overcoming the first temptation, that the insidious attack is made whose effort was to betray Him into presumption. All the wonderful past dealing of God with His covenant people would stand out in memory; all the wealth of tenderness over hopes and promises sorely and long deferred, and now on the eve of fulfillment—a tenderness which afterward came out in words wet with tears, when He cried: "Oh, Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often would I have gathered thy children together as a hen gathereth her brood under her wings, but ye would not." It was in the heart of His own Jerusalem, and from the summit of His Father's house that He was tempted by His cunning and wily adversary to commit the plausible sin. Beside the influence of the sacred place and associations, the voice of the tempter appealed to something not less sacred—to the written word of God—as the guarantee of truth and action. The devil, too, can quote Scripture to his purpose. "If Thou be the Son of God, cast Thyself down; for it is written, 'He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee,'" etc.

It was so written, and the words contained a precious promise, but here they only strengthened a suggestion to do a thing which was wrong. "It is written again," said Jesus, "'Thou shalt not tempt or make trial of the Lord thy God.'"

Oh, if in the history of the past, so disfigured by bitter contests for half truths, the wisdom of this, "It is written again," of Jesus had only been realized! How often have the advocates of a blanched Calvinism, or men who had become the ritualistic enthusiasts for one particular mode of administering baptism, or with one misfit theory of the inspiration of the Bible—a theory, for example, which put the Book of Esther, which does not contain the name of God, on an equal footing with St. John's Gospel, how often have such misguided people cried out, "It is written," as if that were the end of all controversy. Never can the true balance and proportion of life be discovered in this way. "Again it is written," is Jesus' formula. An isolated text does not settle the matter. Every false teacher who has divided the church has virtually done so by an "it is written."

First, we must have recourse to the principles of sanity and common sense; find out if what we are tempted to do is in sincere accord with what God has taught us generally in His word and in common sense, and, then decide. For Christ to have cast Himself from the wing of the temple into the abyss that yawned below would have been to tempt God. "We do not make experiments with those whom we absolutely trust." When a man begins by a prayer test, or any like thing, to make experiments with God, he shows that he lacks the subtle, spiritual quality called faith which is the only means by which he can reach God. Therefore, it is the habit of trust to calmly abide in God—not trifle with or put Him to the test. As long as Jesus remained within the sphere of the revealed will of His Father, He could trust Him. If He should break or contravene that will, then He should no longer feel He had a right to God's care. In other words, Jesus Christ, in His second temptation, flushed with a victory which must have given an impulse to faith in the Father's power and sufficiency, declares to us that it is necessary to have a care for ourselves as well as commit ourselves into the keeping of God. Because we are God's children we may not break the laws of the world to which we belong and expect Him to miraculously interfere to prevent the consequences. Contempt for nature and practical reason is a wretched policy to begin a religious life with. We live under physical law, under moral law, under spiritual law. To fancy that because we have come to feel the power of the spiritual and even the supernatural, we are at liberty to fly in the face of known physical laws, or sane and widely received moral laws, is fatal error, and for it men are always punished in the end. God is the source of all these laws and we tempt the Lord our God when we break them. We are not to rely, either, "too exclusively or presumptuously" upon the care of God. As far as our practical reason serves us, we must also take counsel of that, recognizing that faith and self help, action and patience "meet in equilibrium" and complete each other.

If Jesus, the exceptional and pre-eminent object of divine care, had yielded to this "Cast Thyself down." He would first have broken away from us, His brethren, who live under moral and physical law, and second, He would have "substituted for a life environed by nature, guarded, guided, fed by it, participant in its forces, because subject to its laws, a life divorced from nature, hostile to it, refusing to tempt God or to break away from our human lot and world, showed us the sanity and strength of a genuine trust in God. It is not nervous, fanatical or presumptuous. "It neither courts nor shuns death." It is prudent, wary, will not overstep the limits of a sober faith, and yet, when the will of God clearly demands it in the path of duty, it bravely faces death and dares all hell!

My friends, the modern sin of presumption turns up under many forms. Now it appears in the guise of religious pride, in the purblind assumption of some ecclesiastical charlatan uttering with great swelling words of vanity some oracular opinion which he claims to be of equal authority with the teachings of the Son of God. You have it in the vaticinations of the "mother" of Christian Science with the system's slavish literalism and preposterous overclaims. The contempt for the physical that the system breathes and breeds, the refusal to give medicines out of those stores which God has laid up for us in leaf and plant and flower and mineral, and which millions of educated men have given their lives to make available, the willingness to cast themselves or a child over the precipice, claiming the sanction of certain Scriptures as their warrant for escaping destruction is, in the eyes of most men and women to-day, a sin of presumption. The system is against the corporate common sense of the race, against the proportion of faith; it discards doctrines like the blessed truths of Christ's deity and atonement, which have been held by the overwhelming majority of the members of the Christian church in every age from the beginning. "It is written," they cry. Yes, Christ teaches us to answer, and "again it is written: Thou shalt not make the trial of the Lord thy God."

You have it—one hesitates to allude in a Christian pulpit to the vulgar sect—in the sacrosanct polygamy of the Mormon, of which such an informing expose has been made by a Congressional committee during the past week. Not that the Mormon is the only adulterer; would God he were, but he is the only man now before the Christian public who claims a new revelation of later and higher authority than that made through the holy and sinless Jesus, expressly sanctioning his lustful creed.

"I as the chosen of God have had a vision which uproots and supersedes the morality taught by the Lord Jesus Christ; I like Mohammed's about the family better than Christ's, therefore I hear my preference sanctioned by a voice from heaven. Henceforth my revelation shall put me above the law of the land. Outwardly I may have to comply, but I secretly will ignore it." There has not occurred in modern times a more pestiferous example of religious hypocrisy and delusion! And when we remember that repeatedly in recent years emissaries from Utah have proclaimed this accursed system here in the East, chiefly among simple minded rustics and mountaineers, we realize the sin of permitting it thus long.

This country can never endure part polygamist and part monogamist.

But, my friends, the capital sin of presumption is committed nearer at home than this. There is self satisfied credulity which makes men fancy that they can break all manner of spiritual laws, cast themselves down all sorts of religious precipices, take all kinds of risks in the affairs of the soul at Satan's dictation, and yet that somehow at the end they will come out without loss! It is not, too, the ignorant about God, but those who have had good opportunity to know Him and obey Him who fall into this sin.

When any Christian man lets himself off easily and airily from a plain duty to God, or does a sin against light, he nears the sin of presumption. When a man of the world deliberately violates the express will of God, our Saviour, year after year, relying upon some vague hope of deliverance for which we have no divine warrant, he is approaching the sin of persumption.

Brethren, our safety lies in learning the perfect humility and simplicity of Jesus Christ.

"Keep back Thy servant also, from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me; then shall I be upright and innocent from the great transgression."

Gems of Thought.

To cultivate kindness is a valuable part of the business of life.—Johnson.

Great effort from great motives is the best definition of a happy life.—Channing.

We can hardly learn humility and tenderness enough except by suffering.—George Eliot.

Skeptics are generally ready to believe anything, provided it is only sufficiently improbable: it is at matters of fact that such people stumble.—Von Knebel.

The best time to give up a bad habit is before you begin it, and the next best time is when you have discovered that it is a bad habit.—United Presbyterian.

No man can pass into eternity for he is already in it. The dull brute globe moves through its ether and knows it not; even so our souls are bathed in eternity and we are never conscious of it.—F. W. Farrar.

The humblest man or woman can live splendidly! That is the royal truth that we need to believe, you and I who have no "mission," no great sphere to move in. The universe is not quite complete without my work well done.—W. C. Gannett.

"What does it signify whether I go to the bottom or not, so long as I didn't skulk?—or rather," and here the old man took off his hat and looked up, "so long as the Great Captain has His way, and things are done to His mind?"—George Macdonald.

If you wish to know whether you are a Christian inquire of yourself whether, in and for the love of God, you seek to make happy those about you by smiles and pleasant sayings. Are you a comfortable person to live with? Are you pleasant to have about?—Gail Hamilton.

Providential Calamities.

Seeming calamities turn out often to be our greatest blessings. Loss of health has frequently compelled the overambitious worker to cease work and enabled them to acquire strength that they otherwise would not have enjoyed. Loss of position and business have often compelled people to move to new localities and begin the struggle of life anew under conditions that proved to be better for themselves commercially, intellectually and spiritually. Such experiences are often providential. They are like the story that is told that, during the seige of Sebastopol, a Russian shell buried itself in the side of a hill without the city, and opened a spring. A little fountain bubbled forth where the cannon shot had fallen, and during the remainder of the siege afforded to the thirsty troops, who were stationed in that vicinity, an abundant supply of pure cold water. Thus the missile of death from an enemy, under the direction of an overruling providence, proved an almoner of mercy to the parched and weary soldiery of the allies. Do not be disheartened if calamity comes. That may be God's opportunity to do with you greater things than you had ever believed possible.—N. W. Christian Advocate.

Words of Wisdom.

A sunny temper gilds the edges of life's blackest cloud.—Guthrie.

Let not the stream of your life be a murmuring stream.—Spiritual Gems.

There is no riches above a sound body and no joy above the joy of the heart.—Ecclesiastes.

If we had no failings ourselves we should not take so much pleasure in finding out those of others.—Rochefoucauld.

Bind together your spare hours by the cord of some definite purpose, and you know not how much may be accomplished.—Dr. Wm. M. Taylor.

Lord, grant me a simple, kind, open, believing, loving and generous heart, worthy of Thy dwelling place, O Most Gracious.—John Sergieff.

Do not begrudge loving deeds and kind words, especially to those who gather with you about the same hearth; and, after all, it is such a little way that we can go together.

The Important Thing.

Whether a man can go from place to place is a less important question than whether he is able to move from subject to subject of thought, or from one object of affection to another. In other words, a man's legs are less important to him than his head or his heart. As the "Attic Philosopher" expresses it concerning the worn-out body while the inner man is vigorous and active, "The fortress is a little damaged, but the garrison is quite hearty." We have reason to be grateful to God when the spirit truly is willing the flesh is weak.—Sunday-School Times.

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LAKE REGION STORM SWEPT

One Person Killed and Twenty-five Hurt at Indiana Harbor.

DAMAGE AT HAMMOND, IND.

One of the Most Severe Tornadoes Ever Known in the West Devastates Western Indiana, Northern Illinois and Eastern Michigan — Chicago Suburbs Suffer Greatly—Rainfall Injures Crops.

Chicago, Ill.—One of the most severe tornadoes that ever swept over this part of the country wrought enormous damage in Western Indiana, Northern Illinois and Eastern Michigan.

Widespread damage was done at Hammond, Ind., the first spot where the wind, rain and lightning worked their havoc. North of Chicago, at Evanston, where the Northwestern University is located, Rogers Park and Thornton report by telephone, through circuitous routes, that the loss of property was attended by loss of life.

The town of Indiana Harbor, twenty miles southeast of Chicago, on the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad, was the heaviest sufferer. One man, L. Barker, the proprietor of a dry goods store, was killed and fifteen persons who were in his store when the storm struck, were injured, some of them seriously. Ten other persons were hurt in the town.

Barker's store was entirely demolished. Eighteen residences were blown down, and several persons were hurt in the ruins of their homes.

In Grand Crossing, eight miles south of the centre of the city, a number of buildings were wrecked, freight cars blown about the yards, and the tracks of the railroads covered with debris to such an extent that the majority of incoming trains were compelled to call upon their passengers to assist in removing the wreckage from the tracks so that the trains could proceed.

The telegraph and telephone companies suffered greatly south of the city. Street car lines from Chicago in the direction of Whiting and Indiana Harbor were all out of business, their wires having been blown down.

To the north of the city the storm was also severe, much damage having been done in the suburbs of Evanston, Rogers Park and Thornton.

In the city proper no buildings were damaged to any extent, although there were a number of leveled chimneys, and the smokestacks of a few factories lost their tops.

In Thornton the frame dwelling of E. Gardner was blown into a stone quarry and was deduced to kindling wood. Gardner was fatally hurt, and his wife sustained serious injuries. Several other people were injured and it was impossible to summon aid by telephone or telegraph. Mounted messengers were sent to the town of Dalton, five miles away, to summon medical aid. The Lutheran Church at Thornton was blown down and a number of residences damaged.

The fall of rain west and north of Evanston, which is twelve miles north of Chicago, was so heavy that the crops were badly damaged. It is said that the loss to the winter wheat in this section alone will amount to $50,000.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—A small but destructive tornado struck the south end of the city, doing damage that reaches into the thousands. Two persons were injured, barns were laid flat, chimneys and other portions of houses were blown away, stock was killed, houses were thrown from their foundations and trees uprooted. Besides, there was considerable damage by lightning.

STRIKE BATTLE IN TENNESSEE.

Train Load of Miners Fired On From Ambush.

Dayton, Tenn.—A train load of miners returning from the mines of the Dayton Coal and Iron Company was fired on and four or five men were wounded.

The attacking party was concealed in the rocks and bushes. The assailants used shotguns and Winchesters.

The volley was returned by officers on the train, and one of the assailants was wounded.

The attack grew out of friction between union and non-union men, because the latter have refused to join in a strike that has been pending several months.

ATTACK JAIL TO WHIP PRISONER

Masked Men, With Shotguns, Break in a Missouri Jail.

St. Clair, Mo.—Forty masked men, many of them carrying shotguns, broke into the jail here, and, securing Winn Davis, arrested on the charge of highway robbery, took him from the jail, whipped him nearly to death and released him.

Deputy Sheriff S. P. Weatherford tried to stop the mob from entering the jail, but shotguns were leveled at him and he was forced to step aside.

Russia Permits Grain Exports.

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador, has been invited by the Russian Minister of Finance categorically to deny the report which has been current in several European capitals to the effect that Russia was forbidding the exportation of grain from the empire.

MAD PANIC IN A CHURCH

Cry of Fire Follows Quarrel Between Two Men.

Women and Children Trampled Under Foot in an Italian Church During a Stampede.

New Haven, Conn.—A panic occurred in St. Michael's Italian Catholic Church during the morning children's mass. Two men in a front pew began fighting over the distribution of palms. One of them pulled a revolver.

Then several young women who were faint from gas which filled the church arose and went out. Someone shouted "Fire!" Instantly there was a mad rush for exits. The church was packed to the doors, and in the terrible crush women and children were trampled ruthlessly under foot. Masses of humanity were wedged into every door and window, and there was general confusion and uproar. When police and firemen had dragged the injured from the tangled masses of humanity and quieted the excitement it was found that several scores of persons had been injured.

The Rev. Father Alussi, who was celebrating mass, turned to the frenzied people and shouted that there was no fire. It had no effect on the struggling mass. The men had broken the windows on both sides of the church and were tossing the children through to the ground. The windows were only a few feet high. Excited men to save themselves trampled on the women and children in their efforts to get through the windows and to the doors. They lost their heads completely.

There were about fifty children in seats in the front part of the church. These little ones had a hard time of it. Some of the fathers and mothers sat in the rear seats, and when they heard the cry of fire they made a mad plunge to the front of the church to save the children. They had to fight their way through the crowd that was struggling to get to the door. The cries of the children and the shrieks of the women who were being knocked down and crushed by the men filled the church.

It was at the entrance that many were crushed and walked on. Antonio Polo, a boilermaker, was caught in the jam at the door, and by terrific blows with his hands he battered down part of the entrance, widening it so that many were able to escape quickly.

Last January the new St. Michael's Church was burned to the ground and the members of the parish have been holding services in the old church since.

TORNADO KILLS SIX PERSONS.

Still Greater Loss of Life, Perhaps, in Fierce Missouri Storm.

Carruthersville, Mo. — A tornado swept the country twenty miles north of here, causing a great loss of life and destroying thousands of dollars' worth of property.

Several lives have been lost and thousands of dollars' worth of property destroyed. The lives of the Shuemaker family, living near Portageville, four in number, were blotted out and their home demolished.

Wesley Miller and wife, living two miles north of Mount Pleasant, were killed and their home demolished. Their bodies were found 200 yards away, badly mutilated.

ISLAND SWEPT BY HURRICANE.

Twenty-four Persons Killed on Reunion, in the Indian Ocean.

Paris, France.—The entire island of Reunion, in the Mascarene group, in the Indian Ocean, has been devasted by a hurricane. All the crops were destroyed, and there are evidences of the ruin caused by the storm everywhere.

Twenty-four persons are known to have been killed. Thousands of persons are without food and shelter. The island had a population at the last census of some 165,000, including Indians, Chinese and negroes.

World's Cotton Crop to Date.

The world's cotton crop for 1902-1903 is estimated by the Department of Agriculture at 17,179,765 bales, valued at $750,082,451. This is based on the latest data available, the figures in most instances representing the cotton appearing in commercial channels. With the exception of 2,678,813 bales of the East India crop, which averages 400 pounds per bale, the bales given are of an average weight of 500 pounds.

Mob Shoots Five Negroes.

A special from Dewitt says five negroes have been taken from the guards at St. Charles, Ark., and shot to death by a mob. This makes nine negroes who have been killed in the last week in the vicinity of St. Charles on account of race troubles.

Tornado Hits Arkansas.

Passengers on a belated train on the Arkansas Central Railroad report a destructive tornado in a strip of country near Spring Hill, Ark. A passenger says that not a tree was left standing and the destruction appeared to be complete.

Maids Leap Far in Hotel Fire.

Fire broke out in the Newcomb Hotel annex at Quincy, Ill., and the main building was soon filled with smoke. Two women employes of the hotel and a housemaid leaped from a fourth story window and were killed.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE.

April 3: "Our Victories Through Christ."—I Cor. xv, 50-58. (Easter Meeting.)

One shadow lies athwart the path of every one, however we may differ in other matters. Somewhere life ends. Beyond that point no inquiry reveals an item of our individual future. What lies beyond is of utmost interest to us. What shall I be and where? What may I know and do? What may I see and hear? These are questions holding vast possibilities of happiness or misery for each. Much could be endured and much attempted, much achieved here in life if only once we were assured the result would be worth the exertion. But that shadow chills to the bone like damp sea fog.

We are mortal! We cannot escape dying! Let us face the fact bravely. It were better to recognize its full import than to ignore it. 'Tis neither wise nor brave to close our eyes to so important a fact. We need to know its full import and find the best way to meet it.

We are mortal! What if we might somehow attain immortality? That would be worth all possible striving. But we are corruptible also. Worse still, we are actually corrupted, and, worst of all, we have done the work ourselves. We have chosen the evil and have become corrupt. We have known the right and have done the wrong. We are conscious of ill deserving and of a nature impure. Body and spirit share in this corruption of nature. Physical senses and bodily appetites rule the life to such an extent that the spirit is in bondage to the sensuous until we become sensual in large degree instead of spiritual by the subordination of all powers to the sway of the law of holiness and right reason.

The only hope lies in Jesus Christ. He has lived this life completely. All its temptations assailed Him and He overcame them. He suffered and learned obedience. He submitted and accomplished all righteousness. He shunned no hardship, claimed no favors, but such as is the lot of common man He shared fully. There lie no unexplored experiences in the path of the race. Whatever sort of difficulty any man must meet He has met and conquered.

The dread mysteriousness of death He has explored. What shrinking He may have had in His most sensitive nature from this ordeal of death no one can know. Perfect as was His command of the powers of life one would think the more would the prospect of surrender of life be dreaded.

But He was victorious over this the last and greatest enemy of man. Out from death He brought resurrection and became "the first fruits of them that are asleep." This is the consummation of all human history. It is the goal toward which in all its past this earth has been turned. Easter is the birthday of a new race in glorified manhood. Jesus has been declared "Son of God with power" by this raising from death. He has lifted the shadow from the pathway, and where we shrank in terror we now press forward with eager expectancy. As He said, "Father, Thy will be done!" so we follow after and "count not our lives dear unto ourselves so only that we may finish our course with joy."

We have hope of blessed immortality because He has found the way and opened the path for us. But "every one who hath this hope in Him purifieth himself, because He is pure." By the Holy Spirit we must be cleansed now and here from filthiness of flesh and spirit and put on soul purity; then we will be given new bodies in that day.

A Day With God.

The hour of morning communion adjusts the soul's compass for the new day's voyage. Throughout the busy day the sails of life are set to catch the trade winds of the Spirit. And at night, when the anchor rattles out, the tired eyes close to the music of sweet echoes of angelic hymns. Prayer at its highest thus links earth to heaven in constant communion. Man turns to God in penitent adoration; God pours of His own fullness into the receptive heart. How can our helplessness go through a single day without such reenforcement of life at its source? "Thou restorest my soul." The victories of faith are won first upon our knees.—Rev. Edward M. Noyes.

Maxims Suggesting Methods.

We never say to any sinner, Go! and he goeth to Christ.

It is not more blessed for another to be allowed to give to you than you to him.

Why do we call it the hour of prayer when it is really less than five minutes?

The subtle music of a great soul in any voice is the vocal training heaven gives.

Too much sunshine on the young plant is sure to wither it, but so also too much chill.—Christian Standard.

Man's Dual Life.

There is in every man a smaller and larger self. The supreme question is which shall gain the mastery. No sane man will deny the law of heredity. Inherited taints are found as thorn roots in the soil of the soul. There are birthmarks in the soul as well as on the body.—Rev. Dr. Polemus H. Swift, Methodist, Chicago.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning April 3.

Topic.—Our victories through Christ.—I Cor. xv, 50-58. (Easter meeting.)

Approaching the end of His life, Jesus said to His disciples, "In the world ye have tribulation, but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." The inference is that since He has overcome they also can and will overcome. And this inference is correct. Christianity is a triumphant, a victorious, religion. Not only did its Head and Founder overcome, but His followers in all ages have possessed the same power and do still today. Through Christ we may be victorious over adversity, tribulation, bereavement, sin and death.

The victories especially referred to in connection with this Easter meeting are those over death and its accompanying terrors. Life is a continuous battle, but the greatest enemy to the human race is death. "There is no discharge in that war," and it is looked upon with dread by the vast majority of mankind. But the child of God in Christ becomes triumphant even over the last enemy and can say, "Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

1. Christ gives us victory over the sting of death. Death has a sting. We do not like to think of the end of life. Life is sweet, and we fondly cling to it, finding it unpleasant to contemplate the separation from loved ones, friends and the things of life that we have loved. But, while this is true, we must sometimes consider death, and when the thought enters into our minds it carries a sting with it, and "the sting of death is sin." If we had never sinned, death would have no sting, but the law tells us of our sins, and then the thought of the future has its sting. But Christ takes the guilt of sin from us and in so doing removes the sting of sin, so that we can victoriously exclaim, "O death, where is thy sting!"

2. Christ gives us victory over death itself. Death and the grave always seem to be victorious. They are apparent victors, for no one ever escapes them. Death is no respecter of persons, and yet when the Christian dies the grave wins no victory, for Christ has overcome the grave, and His followers shall overcome it. They die but to live again under even better circumstances than in this life, so that death and the grave are robbed of any victorious character, and the child of God even contemplating the event may exultantly exclaim: "O grave, where is thy victory?" "Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Victory through Christ! He alone has overcome the last enemy of mankind, and through Him alone can we overcome. "Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept." Well may we thank God for this victory of victories—victory over the fear of death, victory over the sting of death, victory over death itself! "Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory."

BIBLE READINGS.

Job xix, 25, 26; Ps. xvii, 15; Dan. xii, 1-3; Matt. xxii, 31, 32; Luke xiv, 1-14; xxiv, 1-12; John v, 28, 29; Rom. vi, 1-11; I Cor. xv, 12-20; Col. iii, 1-10; I Pet. i, 1-9; I John iii, 1-3.

Dr. Bartholomew's Timely Words.

In accepting the presidency of the Pennsylvania state union, to which he was recently elected, Rev. Dr. Allen R. Bartholomew of Philadelphia wrote these timely words:

"Dr. Clark's triple watchwords for advance work are: Organize, vitalize, evangelize. May I add a fourth, liberalize, and place it first in order so that the words will form an acrostic and spell the word love, which sums up our whole duty to God and man? Liberalize, organize, vitalize, evangelize.

"Yes, we need to press the Christian Endeavor work in love until every congregation will have a society wherein the young may be taught that God is no respecter of persons, but that in every nation he that feareth Him, believeth on Him and liveth for Him is a child of love and an heir of heaven. By its interdenominational character the Christian Endeavor society is helping to answer the prayer of our Lord when He said, 'That they may all be one, even as Thou, Father, art in Me and I in Thee, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that Thou didst send Me.' In the conventions and rallies held everywhere Christian Endeavorers are brought face to face with the members of all Protestant denominations who belong to the one fold into which the Great Shepherd is waiting to gather all His saints in warfare. May the golden chain of Christian Endeavor bind our hearts with the sacred tie of a common brotherhood and thus prepare us for the perfect communion of the saints in heaven!"

Mr. Roosevelt's Good Wishes.

Through the Golden Rule I wish all good fortune to the hundreds of thousands of young people whose membership in the Christian Endeavor societies ought to and, I firmly believe, will confer such lasting benefits on this country. I trust they will remember that in order to be good men and women they must be good citizens and that they must work for purer and better politics, bearing in mind that the corruptionist and the demagogue, the selfish man who tries to swindle his fellows for his own benefit and the no less selfish man who tries to arouse a spirit of hatred and dissension by an appeal to envy and the portrayal of fancied injuries should alike receive the reprobation of those who desire decency in our political life.—Theodore Roosevelt, When Police Commissioner of New York City.

A Well Known Endeavorer.

Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D. D., is one of the most widely known evangelistic preachers of the day. He is an enthusiastic Christian Endeavorer and has had flourishing societies in each of the churches of which he has been pastor. He has made a large reputation as a conductor of Quiet Hour services in connection with international Christian Endeavor conventions, has written several books for Christian Endeavorers and was counted one of the best presidents the New York city union has had. He also served one term as vice president of the New York state union.

REV. J. WILBUR CHAPMAN, D. D.

Evangelistic Study Classes.

I wish there might be in every society an evangelistic study class where we shall study our Bibles and methods of work in preparation for personal effort. I am convinced that we have not given this line the consideration which it deserves. Shall it not be the motto of every society this year, "Something definite for souls?" If this is to be realized, we shall need, first, a new grip on God. Whatever we do must be done under the guidance of His spirit and with a simple dependence upon Him. Then a new grip on ourselves. Let us gather up every gift and grace which He has intrusted to us. Then a new grip on our work, that all we are and all we have may be invested, as He intends it shall be, for His glory and the salvation of the lost.—New York State President Hallenbeck.

Trust God.

Providence hath a thousand keys to open a thousand doors for the deliverance of His own when it has come to the greatest extremity. Let us be faithful and care for our own part, which is to do and suffer for Him, and lay Christ's part on Himself and leave it there. Duties are ours; events are the Lord's. When our faith goeth to meddle with events and to hold a court, if I may so speak, upon God's providence and beginneth to say, "How wilt Thou do this or that?" we lose ground. We have nothing to do there. It is our part to let the Almighty exercise His own office and steer His own helm.—Samuel Rutherford.

Never Uncertain.

I thank God that Christian Endeavor has never been uncertain as to the inspiration, the infallibility, the inerrancy of the word of God.—Rev. Dr. John F. Carson.

Do the Hard Thing.

Do anything—anything that God gives you to do. Occupy the hard places if those are the ones he calls you to fill.—Rev. Dr. Francis E. Clark.

Five Anonymous Nuggets.

Remember, Junior workers, it is awfully important to catch the young men when they are boys.

When a society ceases to be active it's dead, and when it's dead it's no good.

We may pray for a hundred and a thousand, but they must be saved one by one. Keep this in mind, Endeavorers who labor as soul winners.

There is no substitute for the personal work in the church or in the Christian Endeavor society.

Some think that in the pledge we aim too high for them. Don't drop the standard to meet such. Bring them up to the standard.

Pennsylvania State Song.

[Tune—"Trust and Obey."]

Pennsylvania for God!
By the help of the Lord
We will reach every village and home,
For the Master says, "Go!"
And His love fills us so
That we gladly will herald His "Come!"

CHORUS.

Come to the Lord!
Oh, believe in His word,
And the Saviour will cleanse you
From all sin by His blood.

To the rich and the poor
Christ has opened the door,
And He sends us to tell them the way.
With a heart full of joy
Tell each girl and each boy
That the Saviour will save them today.

Then, with Christ in the lead,
To His voice giving heed,
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"The Boys."

"God bless the boys!" our hearts repeat
Through all the hours of day;
They're with us at the mercy seat,
Oft as we kneel to pray.

"God bless the boys!" whose better thoughts
Have ripened into gold,
Whose feet a better path have sought,
With faces toward the fold.

"God bless the boys!" with sunny days
And loves to sweeten life,
And purity and peace and grace
And home and child and wife.

"God bless the boys!" who lead the van
Of temperance and right;
Make each a brave, true hearted man,
With lance and honor bright.

"God bless the boys!" The hour may come
When each alone must stand
And battle with the demon, rum,
As knights fought hand to hand.

"God bless the boys!" and help them still
To tread a free land's sod,
As cavaliers, with steel-like will,
Marched in the "truce of God."

"God bless the boys!" and as they fall,
Each with his armor bright,
Tablets shall tell the world, "They all
Fell battling for the right."

"God bless the boys!" and when no more
The noise of war they hear
May Christ's "Well done," at heaven's door,
Welcome each victor there.

—Rev. A. Parke Burgess, D. D.

For Prayer Meeting Participants.

The following, clipped from the Christian Endeavor World, has more than a passing worth to Endeavorers:

Call for some one who does not like to go alone and so get a double blessing.

Pray daily for the meeting—seven times for it to once in it.

Talk up the meeting to every one you meet.

Never make flippant remarks on the way home about persons or parts taken in the meeting.

Greet your fellow Endeavorers before or after the meeting; never whisper salutations after it has begun.

Bring with your Bible a happy face.

God's Mercies.

Few Christians have any idea how great is the multitude of God's mercies until something arouses them to count up their causes for thanksgiving. Count your mercies. It will do you good to count up your thanksgiving column.—Rev. G. B. F. Hallock, D. D.

High Models.

Set before you high models. Try to live with the most generous, and to observe their deeds. Be content, yet aspire; that should be the faith of all, and the two are quite compatible.—Frederick W. Robertson.

A New and Noble Life.

Fling wide the portals of your heart;
Make it a temple set apart
From earthly use for heaven's employ,
Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
So shall your Sovereign enter in
And new and noble life begin.

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